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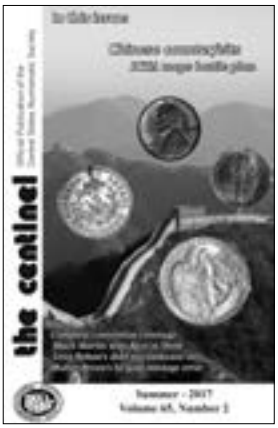

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President's Message

Our 78th Anniversary Convention was a success. We have heard positive comments from collectors and dealers in attendance.

Georgia collector Mack Martin received the Ruhama and Leon Hendrickson Best in Show Award for his exhibit, "A Unique Collection of Georgia Certificates."

Pennsylvania Collector Tom Uram received the Jerry Lebo People's Choice Award for his exhibit, "The Society of Medalists."

Mike Miller received the John J. Pittman Award for his exhibit, "Timeline of Louisville Transportation Tokens & Exonumia."

A first-time CSNS exhibitor Matt Campbell received the Joseph and Morton Stack award for his exhibit, "The Carnegie Hero Medal."

Our current CSNS legal counsel and frequent Centinel contributor Steve Bieda was awarded first place in the Bradfield/Finner Literary Award for his article, "Dinosaur roams on Wall Drug medal," which appeared in this publication's Fall 2016 issue.

Jim Zylstra received the second place writers award for his article, "Marriage and money in Africa," which appeared in the Summer 2016 issue of *The Centinel.*

YN Isaiah Hageman received the YN's writer award for his article, "The Morgan dollar: a classic American silver coin," which was published in the Fall 2016 issue of *The Centinel*. Isaiah is a YN collector from Michigan who collects error and variety coins.

Medals of Merit were awarded to Bob Fritsch and Mack Martin at the 2017 convention. Both individuals have for years volunteered their efforts to assist and support the operation of the exhibit area.

I would also like to thank Gov. Francis Hawks and his wife, Karen, for manning the CSNS table.

Thanks to all who attended the show and I hope to see you next year in Schaumburg, IL, April 25-28, 2018.

Have a great summer.

Karen Jach

Kevin Foley

From the Convention Chairman

One of perspectives that producing an event like the Central States Numismatic Society Convention gives me is that when I attend other similar events I tend to look at them more from the standpoint of the process, rather than the product. Our convention may at first glance appear to be the work of just a few people, those who are out front and in the public eye. The reality, however, is that the two most obvious of these - the convention chairman and bourse chairman - are really more like orchestra conductors, coordinating the activities of multiple other contributors, some of whom are never even seen by our attendees.

Three days before the convention opens to the public, Charles "Speedy" Woods marks the floor with tape so that the decorators – a crew of probably a dozen people – know exactly where to place everything.

While the really visible work takes place in Schaumburg, there are numerous activities carried on by others, some of whom you all know, as well as others that our participants will never know even exist or will never meet.

For those of you who are booth holders who come via private auto and enter the exhibit hall through the rear loading dock, you've likely noticed the large white tractor trailers with the name "Fern" in bold green lettering on the side. These are owned by our convention decorator, the George Fern Co., whose warehouse in Indianapolis is where our 1,300 exhibit cases, 400+ bourse lights, several thousand incandescent light bulbs I hoarded in a frenzy of excessive buying before they were discontinued, 400+ six-outlet strips and an equal number of 25-foot orange extension cords live during the period between our events, all stored along with a myriad of other supplies and equipment in our 17 large shippers and 20+ storage racks that house the properties needed to produce our event.

Some of the things that go into the convention are so obvious that we don't even give them a thought. The booth signs are a good example, as well as the headers and front pieces on our registration counters. These, as well as our convention layout, are the handiwork of Randy Fisher, who works for Fern at its Indianapolis warehouse.

Fern workers Shannon Zimmerman and Tom Drullinger check the accuracy of signage and booth configurations a day before dealers begin setting up.

Have you ever wondered how long it must take to affix the skirting that goes around our booth and exhibit area tables? Most of that work is done at the Fern Indianapolis facility and the tables are brought already skirted for installation in the booths. How does all this stuff get to Schaumburg? Members of the Teamsters union drive no less than five tractor-trailer loads of both the Fern and our properties to Schaumburg.

How does everyone know just where to put all this stuff? When I walked into the empty exhibit hall on Monday in the early a.m., Charles "Speedy" Woods, one of the key Fern workers, was already on duty, marking the floor with tape so that the decorators – a crew of probably a dozen people – knew exactly where to place everything.

In addition to Speedy, another of the key players from the Fern Co. is Tom Drullinger, who has been in charge of our event on behalf of Fern since at least 1997. Over the last two years he has been assisted by Shannon Zimmerman, who, as the event was being set up, was looking forward to the excitement of her fast approaching wedding with all the joyful enthusiasm that is so typical of a young bride. In fact, seeing the happiness and anticipation in her face served as a real reminder to me about the fact that it is important in life not to lose sight of what is really important in our lives.

Between the behind-the-scenes workers at Fern who make a contribution to our event, as well as the work crew on site, probably at least 20 Fern employees contribute in one way or another.

Overnight an outside cleaning crew comes in with another half dozen anonymous workers, who make sure that everything is clean and orderly looking and that all the rubbish and trash that has accumulated during the course of the day is removed.

As much of the staff as could be assembled poses for a group photo at the end of the convention. Back row: Gary Haneberg, Bourse Chairman Patricia Foley, Josie Hall, Brenda Sponsky, Marlene Highfill and Dave Hudson. Front row: Patti Finner, Duane Foster, Convention Chairman Kevin Foley and Rhonda Burger.

The week before the event the bourse chairman and I meet with the various department heads for the hotel and convention center to review the role that their staffs will play in producing your convention. In all, there are probably 15 department heads that participate in this preconvention meeting, something that is repeated on a smaller scale after the conclusion of the event to review with everyone what went as expected and what can be learned for the future from some of the challenges that emerged.

I haven't even touched on the security function, ably managed by Tom Casper, a retired Milwaukee Police Department detective, now assisted by Deputy Security Chairman and Gov. Greg Oglesby, himself an active sworn officer with the Veterans Affairs police. In addition, Joseph Jeremias, a principal in Advanced Security, our security provider, oversees probably a dozen different individuals, themselves active sworn or now retired police officers.

If you visited the educational exhibit area, or perhaps were an exhibitor yourself, you are no doubt aware that Exhibit Chairman Jack Huggins is responsible for its operation. Like the rest of the event, however, there are others, as well. Fran and Ray Lockwood play a vital role in seeing that everything is set up on time and in a manner that will bring credit to all of us. Did you wonder how all those exhibit cases were set out in the exhibit area? That (all 200 of them) was the work of Deputy Chief Judge Brett Irick, whose eye for detail was apparent in the finished product.

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Among the often unheralded helpers in the exhibit area were Mack Martin and Bob Fritsch. In fact, in the past they were so unassuming and modest about their very real contributions in the back of the house, that for a number of years I wasn't even aware that they were there helping. They were the dual recipients of the Ray O. Lefman Medal of Merit this year in recognition of their quiet contributions to the exhibit area over the years. Judging from the look on their faces when I announced their names at the awards breakfast, they probably have actually never stopped to think themselves just how important the contributions they make to the exhibit area really are.

I hope that if you were at the convention you attended some of the educational programs and seminars. Where did they all come from? Did a few speakers just materialize out of the early morning fog and decide to walk in and give a talk. Actually, Ray Lockwood, a retired history teacher and our education director, can claim credit. Quite a bit of work and effort went into structuring the educational efforts at the convention, identifying and recruiting speakers and coordinating the overall schedule so that there could be a maximum overall impact from the various presentations.

Some people play larger roles, some lesser ones. They all, however, have in common the fact that what they do in one way or another contributes to the orderly operation of our Anniversary Convention.

Did you receive a package while at the convention? Kathy Anderson from the shipping and receiving operation in the hotel likely played a role in seeing that it reached you.

Dealer cases, lights, light clamps, outlet strips, extension cords? These don't just magically appear at the dealer booths. Someone delivers and installs them, cleans the cases inside and out and tests the electrical outlets to make sure that they are live. I could probably recite the names of 25 people who work under the direct supervision of the bourse chairman or myself. If you'll look on the masthead page of the printed convention program booklet, you'll find them listed. The bottom line is that our convention, which has a budget of roughly $400,000, is very much a joint effort by more people than you can imagine.

So, although as a participant or attendee at our event you might only see a few of those who are instrumental in its production, there is really a cast approaching 100 who are responsible in one way or another for bringing the convention to you.

By now you know what I mean when I compare the role of the convention chairman and the bourse chairman to that of orchestra conductors.

Kevin Foley

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Patricia Foley

From the Bourse Chairman and Secretary

It was good to be able to reconnect with so many of our members at the just concluded 78th Anniversary Convention in Schaumburg. Our event really caters to a range of different interests. Some people come primarily for the commercial opportunities, some to reconnect with old friends – and maybe make some new ones – while for others the primary motivation is to learn more about the field that has captivated their interest, in some cases for many years.

I've known some of you since I was in elementary school. I certainly never thought that when I was trying my hand at being an entrepreneur selling soda and candy bars at the former MidAmerica Coin Convention at the old MECCA Convention Center in Milwaukee that I'd one day be the bourse chairman and secretary for our Central States Numismatic Society.

I've now been your bourse chairman for four years and served as secretary for two. The four-year part certainly seems to have gone by awfully fast. I try never to lose sight of what the convention chairman (who doubles as my father) told me when I undertook the bourse chairmanship, i.e. that the people we serve depend on our event for a portion of the financial support for their families and that we have an obligation to do it right the first time. I'll always remember that admonition and hope that I meet that obligation.

I think I've told you all in the past, but it bears repeating, that my favorite part of the convention is Tuesday night. The decorator has everything set up, having started in an empty hall just the day before. The cases and lights are all out, everything has been double- and triple-checked, and the convention chairman and I are alone in the hall. The stress and anxiety of the convention preparations have resulted in what we just sit there and look at. It is unnervingly quiet in an empty exhibit hall, not silent at all, but with the hum of fans circulating the air and sometimes a creak or groan from the building itself.

The chairs in the aisles are all set so that a laser beam could sight down their backs. I know, that does sound a bit over the top in the anal retentive department, but it sure looks nice to see everything looking really orderly before the stampede of dealers begins in the morning. And it really is a stampede. There are probably 300 or more people with booth holder credentials gathered outside the doors when the appointed opening time arrives and are they ever focused.

I know that for many trade shows "setup" means just that, slowly organizing and setting up a booth. In the world of numismatics the term has an entirely

different meaning. Basically to get in, get organized as fast as possible and get business underway. The deal of a lifetime might go down the aisle or be snared by someone just a step ahead if a dealer isn't there to take advantage of the opportunity.

Early birds mob the bourse floor at noon Wednesday as the Professional Preview opens.

I know that some people probably regard being a numismatic dealer as tantamount to being someone almost with a license to print money. Having seen the field from multiple perspectives, I have to say that it is one where knowledge, application, risk taking and hard work are rewarded, sometimes certainly quite handsomely, while laziness, entitlement and just being there and expecting things to fall your way typically have the opposite result.

Thank you all for coming to our event. I hope that we and I did the job for you that you expected. The convention chairman and I are concentrating on doing our level best for you in 2018 and hope that you'll be joining us once again. Talking about joining us, one of the things that I do right after every convention is to go through the individual registration cards completed by our attendees in order to keep our public event mailing list up to date. We actually had people from 40 states register for the convention, with a few even from Alaska and Hawaii. Switzerland, England, Canada, China, Argentina and India were also represented.

And, . . . since my primary duty as bourse chairman is to see that the booths are actually sold, I do have to say that it is nice having a product that people actually want. I hardly had time to do anything other than accept bourse applications for 2018 on Saturday. And thank you for your patience to those of you who had to wait in a line that was sometimes three and four deep as dealers came up to my booth with their applications for next year. While I write this before recording all the applications and payments received for 2018 booths, I'm certain that the renewal rate a full year ahead was in excess of 50 percent. Considering that some of the booth checks for multiple spaces were in the $4,000-and-up range, I guess we must be doing something right.

In closing, let me say that I was raised in a home that values tradition and history. I had a reminder of our own Central States Numismatic Society history with me at the convention. Our late secretary and bourse chairman, Jerry Lebo, who passed away just a few months prior to our event, had passed along to me the catalog case that he kept membership and bourse applications and receipts in while discharging the positions that I now hold. I thought of him as

I deposited the records generated at the 78th Anniversary Convention in the very same case that he once used. I thought of Jerry as I used that case that was once his and remembered some of our interactions and the rather dry and clever wit that only those who really got to know him discovered. If you visit the National Archives in Washington, D.C., and look up as you enter, you'll see an inscription: "The Past is Prologue."

I hope we'll all always remember that what we are now was built on the foundation that people from our past left us with. Jerry Lebo was one of them.

Patricia Foley

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The persons named below *have applied for membership in the Society. Each applicant will become a member in 30 days, unless a written objection to his or her application is received by the Secretary prior to that date.*

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From the Education Director

6 Programs, 10 Years, Thousands Served

The old saying, "Time flies when you are having fun' certainly must apply to the Central States education programs. It's hard to believe that our organization has been sponsoring and funding SIX numismatic – education programs for the past TEN years. We certainly have had fun bringing these programs to our member clubs and individual members. Here is a progress report on these SIX programs...

THE DVD PROGRAM: Any CSNS member club can request and receive FIVE numismatic DVDs per year, just for the asking. These high-quality DVDs are produced and sold by our good friend David Lisot. He videotapes most of the educational presentations at most of the leading coin shows in our country. FUN, ANA, CSNS, EAC and other shows are among David's annual filming stops. Since CSNS began distributing the DVDs to our clubs in 2008, 76 clubs have received almost 4,000 DVDs! Clubs typically use these for programs, but also lend them to members for individual use and to schools for teacher/student use. The range of topics featured in these DVDs is mind-boggling. Name a topic within our great hobby and we probably have a DVD ready to be shown. This is our most used program, with a potential audience that numbers in the thousands throughout our 13-state region.

THE LIBRARY BOOK PROGRAM: Any CSNS member club can purchase and donate numismatic books to public or school libraries. If a club spends $600, CSNS reimburses $500. The 5/6 ratio applies to lesser expenditures as well. Clubs can spend whatever amount fits their budgets. This is a yearly benefit for club participation. Since 2008, 51 of our clubs have donated almost $30,000 worth of books to libraries. The thank you notes that clubs receive are a testament to the good will and long-range benefits of our program. This has been the second fastest growing program that CSNS offers.

THE SPEAKER PROGRAM: Any CSNS member club can invite and reward speakers for educational programs, with CSNS paying up to $200 per year for speaker expenses and perks. Speakers can receive an honorarium, a meal, transportation reimbursement, lodging and related benefits. The choice of speaker rewards is up to the clubs. This is our fastest growing program, with 45 speakers having been rewarded by 40 member clubs. The benefits to club members are huge. Speakers that most clubs could not afford to bring to a local meeting are often within reach with the $200 CSNS stipend.

David Lisot films an educational presentation.

AUTHOR GRANT PROGRAM: Aspiring authors and researchers can apply for grants up to $5,000 to be used for original research, writing and publication expenses of numismatic books and/or video presentations. This is our newest program, which began in 2011. Since that year, 30 authors have received $128,167 in grants. Most of the authors have written books, while a few have used their grant monies for research. To date, 16 books have been authored with another six in progress. CSNS receives recognition in all of the books published to date. This is truly a "win-win" program for CSNS, the authors and countless readers who enjoy the fruits of our authors' labors. The application period for author grants is July 1 to August 31. Grants are awarded in September, with funding to begin October 1.

EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR PROGRAM: Every year since 2006 CSNS has produced educational seminars for members and non-members around our 13-state region. To be precise, we have provided seminars in 10 of our 13 states. The typical format for a CSNS seminar consists of four speakers, a free continental breakfast and make-your-own sandwich lunch. We bring in speakers from all over the U.S. Most have great biographies and most are well known in their areas of expertise. Local clubs that co-sponsor one of our seminars have the choice of speakers, topics, themes and seminar location. Seminar attendance has averaged in the mid-thirties with very positive feedback. Our seminars for 2017 are in Windsor, Ontario, Canada in May and a September seminar in St. Charles, Illinois. We keep the cost of our seminars to a very low $20 for CSNS members and $30 for non-members.

ANNUAL ANA SUMMER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM: CSNS has been awarding "full-ride" scholarships for juniors and adults to attend the annual ANA Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs, CO. The awards include tuition, room and board, as well as coach class airfare from the airport nearest the awardee's legal residence. The maximum value of the scholarship is $1,400. Applicants are judged primarily on the basis of past contributions to organized numismatics. Applications must be submitted prior to August 1 each year. Details can be found in each issue of *The Centinel*.

It is a pleasure and privilege to coordinate the Central States educational programs and, I might add, just plain FUN! Remember, numismatic education is the main purpose for the existence of Central States!!

Ray Lockwood

Bruce Perdue

Words from the Web

Numismatic Websites

Many coin clubs are now "Going Green!" What does that mean? Well, like the rest of the world, CSNS experiences the pinch of rising postal rates and the need to send *The Centinel* out to our members. A trend has begun in the coin collecting hobby of offering digital copies of publications instead of mailing a hard copy. For those of you who collect numismatic publications, books and other coin related published material clubs are offering a published edition and an electronic.

So how will this work? The editor will produce the edition just as before and send it to the printer just as before. In addition, the editor will send a copy of the publication in electronic format. The format will be the Portable Document File or "PDF" as it is known. For those who opt to receive the publication electronically a current email address is needed so a copy can be sent to you.

The Central States Numismatic Society

SENTINEL

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INTRODUCING THE SENTINEL

The officers of CSNS are planning to issue The Sentinel twice a year, in the Spring immediately before the annual convention, and in the autumn before the interim meeting. Your assistance in making it a newsworthy publication is sought. You are urged to submit short articles describing collecting activities, numismatic news of your locality, or information in the field of coin collecting. The Editor welcomes your personal comments and brief items of interest to fellow numismatists in the Central States area.

CSNS INTERIM MEETING COINCIDES WITH CCC BANQUET

The CSNS Board of Directors interim get-together is set for the La Salle Hotel, Chicago, Illinois, October 31. Two in the morning is the time and the meeting is open to all. On the same day and in the same hotel, the Chicago Coin Club will hold its annual banquet and auction. CCC's affable President, Clyde Gruber, offers a hearty invitation to you to attend and bring your wife and friends for a week-end of numismatic pleasure.

CSNS PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

As members of Central States Numismatic Society we can look back with considerable pride to our 1952 Convention at Chicago. The Convention established a qualitative standard, featured an exceptional group of exhibits, and had a registration of approximately 500. Yet it was this high registration which carried with it a disturbing factor. Apparently those registrants were numismatists who felt that the convention had a great deal to offer, and who want to Chicago for a numismatic good time. Unfortunately, at the time of the convention, we had only 160 paid up CSNS members. This means that these 160 individuals shouldered the financial and moral obligations, whereas the other 340 registrants did not assume such responsibilities. This failure can certainly not be charged to exhibitors' membership fees. It costs only $1.00 a year for membership, and only $10.00 for a life membership, to be a full member of our Society. Apparently, the real difficulty lay in the lack of personal contact and individual invitation to join. It is to the best interests of the Society to have as large a membership as possible. This not only establishes a better financial position for carrying on expanded activities and bringing greater benefits to the membership, but also permits many individuals to share in the advantages that a large regional organization can bring them. I earnestly urge each of you to secure one new member for our Society between now and January 1. If all

Vol. 1, No. 1 of* The Sentinel is available on the portal.** ***The name was changed to* The Centinel *in 1959.

If you have an email account that you do not want people knowing about, just go to Gmail and sign up for a new email account. If you already have a Gmail address, Gmail will allow you to add additional accounts as well. This way you can control who has this email address. Your Board is now investigating offering electronic vs. published memberships. I would love to hear from members how they feel about this. The cost of continuing the Society goes up yearly. ANA, NBS (Numismatic Bibliomania Society) and ILNA (Illinois Numismatic Association) are now offering both types of memberships.

I attended the Newman Numismatic Portal meeting at the recent CSNS

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Anniversary Convention in Schaumburg. If you did not get a chance to visit, I recommend that you plan for next year's event now. At the NNP meeting Wayne Homren and Len Augsburger discussed the progress of the project and its impact on numismatic research. There are over 1 million pages scanned, which translates to 13,000 documents. Over 40 clubs/organizations have donated material, including their publications to the project. This list includes ANS, ANA, CSNS and, of course, ILNA. The information is being saved by the Internet Archive which now has over 279 billion pages.

Len Augsburger, Newman Numismatic Portal project coordinator, discusses the growth of the numismatic repository at the Central States convention.

The Newman Numismatic Portal is now completely searchable by article, text, publication and soon, objects. What does that mean? If you want to search for information on a specific area of interest, the site will accept a search very similar to Google or you can drill down in a specific publication. If you want to see articles in *The Numismatist* you can limit your search to just that publication. There is a drop-down menu listing the various types of material available. Auction catalogs, club publications, books, periodicals, encyclopedias, blogs and people. There are some multimedia items and more coming soon!

During the presentation many ideas about how to make the portal even better were offered to Wayne and Len. One proposal was to add some YouTube-style videos showing how to search the portal. Many coin collectors are not internet savvy and have no idea how to conduct a productive search. If you research information on coins or just want to read back issues of club publications, the portal is the place to look. I look forward to watching the portal grow and blossom. If you have questions or comment please feel free to send them to me.

Bruce Perdue

CSNS Website Advertising

Below are the rates for advertising on the Central States Website (www.centralstates.info).

Paid Advertising

240 by 240 px ads can be purchased on a quarterly or annual basis.

Quarterly - since the highest volume of visitors is from January thru May, 1st and 2nd quarter 240 by 240 px ads are $50 per quarter and 3rd and 4th quarter are $25 each quarter.

Annual - Annual ads are $125 yearly for a 240-by-240 px ad.

All must be paid for in advance.

Dealer inline graphic ads on the dealer page in the listing section are $50 annually with a table purchase. Speak to Patricia Foley or Kevin Foley when purchasing your table.

Graphics should be created by the advertiser. Graphics work done by the Webmaster are at a $25 an hour with a minimum charge of 2 hours.

Questions and submissions should be sent to bdperdue1@netscape.net.

Free Ads

Individuals and dealers/companies who donate a minimum of $500 in cash or merchandise are eligible for a free 240-by-240 px advertisement. These will be placed at the discretion of the Webmaster on the Convention Page (www.centralstates.info/conv.html), the Convention Schedule Page (www.centralstates.info/sched.html) or on the Dealer Page (www.centralstates.info/dealers.html). Placement is on a first-come, first-served basis and is at the discretion of the Webmaster. Dealers who make the $500 donation are additionally eligible for an inline graphic ad, in the alpha listing of dealers, on the Dealer Page. This ad must be 300-by-50 px.

All ads must be "web ready" and submitted as a jpg or png image. All ads can be linked to any page that the advertiser wishes. This link will only be added if a link is submitted with the image. A link may be added later at the discretion of the Webmaster if submitted by the dealer/company/individual by email to Webmaster CSNS. It is the responsibility of the dealer/company/individual to submit all art work and relevant links to the Webmaster. (Webmaster CSNS) Individuals donating $1,500 or more will be given an ad on the CSNS home page in addition to previously mentioned ads.

All advertisement should be related to numismatics or be of interest to numismatists. Acceptance of ads is at the sole discretion of the Webmaster.

Call for Nominations

Pursuant to Article III, Section 5 of the By-laws, the Secretary issues this call for nominations for the following elected positions to serve on the board of the Central States Numismatic Society for the two-year period commencing with the installation of officers to be held at the April 2018 79th Anniversary Convention and concluding with the installation of the succeeding board to be installed at the April 2020 81st Anniversary Convention.

The following offices will be open for nominations:

President
Vice-President
Governors (10)

Any regular, life, club or associate member in good standing may nominate any member in good standing. All candidates must themselves be members in good standing. A member may nominate him or herself.

All nominations must be submitted either in writing, or via email to the Secretary at:

Patricia Foley – Secretary
Central States Numismatic Society
P.O. Box 210710
Milwaukee, WI 53221

To ensure documentation and proof of delivery of a mailed nomination, it is recommended that such nomination documents be submitted via Certified Mail.

Emailed nominations should be submitted to: foleylawoffice@gmail.com

All nominations will be acknowledged. Please provide a return address or email address for such acknowledgement.

The following schedule is established in the By-laws:

1) Call for nominations is published in Summer issue of *The Centinel.*
2) Nominations must be made beginning on July 1 and be delivered to the Secretary no later than July 31.
3) Nominations must be affirmatively accepted no later than Aug. 15 for a candidate to be listed on the ballot.

4) Each candidate may submit a biographical statement to the Secretary not to exceed 350 words, which ….. "may include a record of his or her services to the society and to numismatics in general." Such biographical statement must be received by the Secretary no later than Aug. 15 in order to be included in the Fall issue of *The Centinel.*
5) Candidates for the individual offices shall be listed on the ballot in the order of their acceptance of their nomination.
6) Ballots shall be mailed by the Secretary to members in good standing no later than Nov. 30.
7) In order to be counted, a ballot must be received by the accounting firm conducting the count of ballots cast no later than Dec. 31.
8) The accounting firm shall inform the Secretary of the results of the tabulation no later than Jan. 31.

Duties of Elected Officials:

President:

The president shall have general supervision over all the affairs of the Society. His or her duties shall include, but not be limited to the following:

1) To preside at all meetings of the society
2) To call meetings of the governing board and general membership and preside at them.
3) To appoint committee chairmen that may be necessary to achieve the objectives of the society, and to remove them at will.
4) To serve as spokesman for the Society in all dealings with outside individuals, groups and the media.

Vice President:

The duties of the Vice President shall be:

1) To assist the president, at his request, in the discharge of his duties.
2) To act in the place of the president, in the event of the latter's absence or disability.
3) To succeed to the society's presidency in the event of the death or resignation of the incumbent.

Governors: (10 positions available)

The duties of a governor shall be:

1) To serve upon such committees as he shall be appointed to by the incumbent president.
2) To cast votes upon the several matters presented to the Board for action.

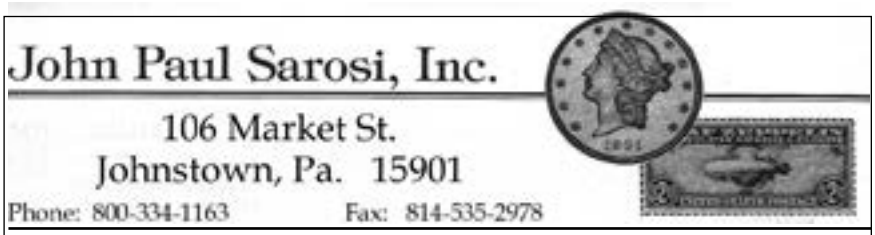
The foregoing summary of duties above is set forth in Article III, Section 3 of the By-laws.

In addition, the Convention Manual (Rev. 7.1 - Adopted April 24, 2013) provides for the following duties for all elected officials:

Section 10: Sponsorships:

"Non-profit organizations enjoying 501(c)(3) status are able to offer the advantage of federal income tax deductions to donors who contribute money to underwrite and enhance their activities. The General Chairman shall design, operate and direct a program to solicit such donations from booth holders and others who participate in or benefit from the Anniversary Convention. This program shall be staffed by volunteer board members as part of their overall duties as elected officials of CSNS. All elected officials of CSNS shall be expected to participate in this effort."

Patricia Foley – Secretary
May 15, 2017



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78th Anniversary Convention

Mack Martin wins Best in Show with Civil War bond exhibit

A display of six exceptionally rare, high-denomination, Civil War era bonds issued by the state of Georgia garnered Mack Martin the Leon and Hamie Hendrickson Best-in-Show Award for his exhibit at the Central States Numismatic Society convention in Schaumburg, IL.

Martin said the exhibit, "A Unique Collection of Georgia Certificates," is unique as the six certificates have never been together."

He said, "In late 1863, needing to remove small bills, the state of Georgia announced that it would exchange $5,000, $10,000 and $20,000 certificates for $100 or less notes." He said six

Mack Martin receives the Best In Show Award from Exhibit Chairman Jack Huggins, left, and Fran Lockwood. Education Director Ray Lockwood, right, serves as announcer.

First-place winners: Front row, from left, Tony Cass and Dany Rothfeld. Back row: Thomas Casper, Bruce Bartelt, Thomas Havelka and Mack Martin. Not shown: Donald H. Dool and Jason Paonessa.

$20,000 certificates were issued,but only two are known to have survived. Both were in Martin's exhibit.

Martin, along with Robert Fritsch, a longtime supporter of Central States and exhibit judge, were also awarded the society's Ray O. Lefman Medal of Merit.

Thomas J. Uram won won the Jerry Lebo People's Choice Award for his display, "The Society of Medallists," which contained the entire 129-medal set. The People's Choice Award is determined by ballots cast during the show.

Exhibit Chairman Jack Huggins, left, presents the Jerry Lebo People's Choice Award to Thomas J. Uram.

Matt Campbell was awarded the Joseph and Morton Stack Award for the best exhibit by a first-time CSNS exhibitor for his display, "The Carnegie Hero Medal." The John Jay Pittman Award for most-educational exhibit was awarded to Mike Miller for "Timeline of Louisville Transportation Tokens & Exonumia."

Exhibit Chairman Jack Huggins presided over the awards while Education Director Ray Lockwood reprised his role of announcer and Fran Lockwood, former exhibit chair, retained her position as chief hugger.

Ray Lockwood said 38 individual exhibitors, including two first-timers, participated this year. The exhibit area had 52 competitive exhibits and three non-competitive ones. The exhibitors came from 11 states.

Second-place winners: Front row, from left, Dany Rothfeld, Nancy Wilson and Thomas J. Uram. Back row: Tom Corey for Matt Campbell, Mike Miller, James Zylstra and Floyd Aprill. Not shown: Donald H. Dool.

Third-place winners: Front row, from left, Dany Rothfeld, Kathy Freeland and Nancy Wilson Back row, Jeffrey J Rosinia, Mark Wieclaw, Dennis Schafluetzel and Thomas J. Uram.

Central States awarded more than eight ounces of gold coins to winners. First place winners received 1/2 ounce U.S. Gold Eagles in deluxe plastic holders. Second-place winners received 1/4 ounce coins. Third-place winners received 1/10 ounce pieces.

Winners were:

U.S. Coins - Heritage Auctions Awards: 1st place - Tony Cass, "Carson City Gold Type Coins;" 2nd place - Floyd Aprill, "US Philippines Half Centavos (1903-1908);" 3rd place - Jeffrey J Rosinia, "Wartime Change: Alterations in US Coins during World War II."

Foreign Coins Prior to 1500 - SEGS Awards: 1st place - Bruce Bartelt, "From Croesus to Caesar: and overview of western coinage until the dominance of Rome;" 2nd place - Donald H. Dool, "A.D. Dated Copper Coins of the 15th Century;" 3rd place - Dany Rothfeld, "Portraits of Twelve Caesars on Copper and Bronze."

Foreign Coins After 1500 - PCGS Awards: 1st place - Donald H. Dool, "The Phrygian or Liberty Cap as Depicted on a Selection of Coins and Medals;" 2nd place - Thomas J. Uram, "The Austrian 25 Euro Niobium Coins;" 3rd place - Nancy Wilson, "Great Britain's Last Decimal Issue."

Medals - Milwaukee Numismatic Society and South Shore Coin Club Awards: 1st place - Donald H. Dool, "The Medals and Monuments of Jose De San Martin – Flow Link to Buenos Aires with Stops Along the Way;" 2nd place - Matt Campbell, "The Carnegie Hero Medal;" 3rd place - Thomas J. Uram, "The Society of Medallist."

All U.S. Paper Money - Lockwood Memorial Awards: 1st place - Mack Martin, "A Unique Collection of Georgia Certificates;" 2nd place - Dany Rothfeld, "Each One Unique;" 3rd place - Dennis Schafluetzel, "Wills Valley and

Chattanooga & Alabama Railroad Scrip."

All Foreign Paper Money - Jack D. Huggins, Sr., Memorial Awards: 1st place - Dany Rothfeld, "Israel's 1955 Currency Series on Paper and Silver;" 2nd place - Nancy Wilson, "Ecuador Specimen Set Series of 1928;" 3rd place - Kathy Freeland, "Birds & Blooms of Suriname: A Complete Set of Banknotes from 2000-2003."

Tokens - Des Moines Coin Club Awards: 1st place - Thomas Casper, "Milwaukee Civil War Tokens;" 2nd place - Mike Miller, "Timeline of Louisville Transportation Tokens & Exonumia;" 3rd place - Mark Wieclaw, "Irish Gun Money of James II 1689-1690."

Miscellaneous - Brett Irick Awards: 1st place - Thomas Havelka, "A Numismatically Illustrated History of the Organ;" 2nd place - James Zylstra, "Commemorating Primitive Money in Central Africa;" 3rd place - Nancy Wilson, "Postage Stamp Scrip Notes."

Junior - Mark Petty Memorial Award: 1st place - Jason Paonessa, "The David R. Cervin Ancient Coin Project."

In a drawing, exhibitor Myles Fenske won the early-bird prize of a quarter-ounce gold piece.

Literary awards

Bieda wins Bradfield-Finner award

Steven M. Bieda won first place in the Elston G. Bradfield / Roland W. Finner Literary Award for his article, "Dino Graces Wall Drug Medal," which appeared in the Fall 2016 issue of *The Centinel*.

James Zylstra took second place for his article, "Marriage and Money in Africa" which appeared in the Spring 2016 issue.

Isaiah Hageman was awarded the Daniel C. Parker YN Literary Award for his article, "Morgan dollar: Classic American Silver Coin" which appeared in the Fall 2016 issue.

Steven M. Bieda, winner of first place in the Elston G. Bradfield / Roland W. Finner Literary Award, poses with Patti Finner, who sponsored the award in honor of her late husband

CSNS Medal of Merit

General Chairman Kevin Foley, center, presents the CSNS Ray O. Lefman Medal of Merit to Robert Fritsch, left, and Mack Martin, right.

Letters addressed to Bourse Chairman Patricia Foley

Dear Patricia,

I am finally home from the show and trying to catch up with everything I got behind on.

One of the things is to thank you and the Society for the honor of including me as a member with the Medal of Merit. That took me totally by surprise as I enjoy doing anything I can to help make that show the greatest. CSNS is one of my favorite shows as I drive from Georgia to enjoy not only the show but so many friends I have made there. I enjoy working with Chief Judge Jack Huggins and the exhibiting crew and hope to do so for several more years. I appreciate all you and Kevin do to make the show as great as it is and the kindness the show extends to us exhibitors.

Thank you for all your support and you take care.

Mack Martin

Dear Patricia,

I wish to extend a hearty Thank You from the bottom of my heart to the Society for honoring me with the Medal of Merit at the 2017 CSNS Convention. Fellow recipient Mack Martin and I were both taken unaware when the announcement was made. We just looked at each other with amazement in our eyes.

Such an honor is encouragement to further assist both CSNS and numismatics to the best of my ability. I enjoy working with Chief Judge Jack Huggins and the exhibiting crew, and will continue to do so as long as I am able. Such endeavors in the past were done as a labor of love with no eye for reward other than a job well done. I encourage others to get involved with CSNS to enjoy similar satisfaction.

Yours in numismatics,

Robert F. Fritsch

Church coin fetches $517,000

Heritage auctioneer Bob Merrill signals the winning bid.

An Indiana church got a gigantic boost to its building fund at the Central States Numismatic Society's 78th Anniversary Convention at Schaumburg, IL.

An 1866 NGC Proof-65 Cameo $20 gold piece with a gold CAC sticker fetched $517,000, including a 17.5 percent buyer's fee, at Heritage Auction's Platinum Night sale of rare United States coins April 28.

As the bidding bounced between floor and phone, Heritage President Greg Rohan noted, "It all goes to charity."

The coin, one of only 10 known, was donated anonymously to the GracePoint Church in Valparaiso earlier this year as seed money for a building fund. The church has held services in an elementary school since it was founded in 2009.

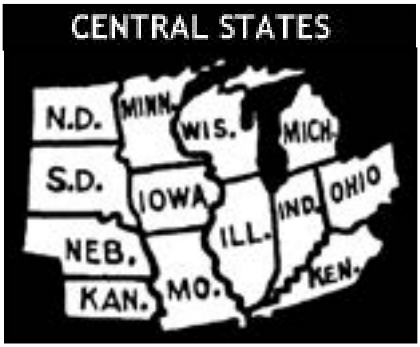
Heritage President Greg Rohan, left, takes a photo as the winning bid is recorded. The winning bid of $440,000 does not include the 17.5 percent buyer's fee.

Heritage said, "The anonymous donor is a widow whose husband purchased the coin in 1993. She told church Pastor Ben Lamb the coin survived an attempted theft at her home four years ago."

Sarah Miller, Heritage's director of numismatics, said in a statement, "After our experts examined the coin, Heritage wired a $150,000 advance payment to the church so it would not miss a financial deadline for its building project."

Lamb told Heritage, "This coin is an incredible gift in God's story. Although this gold piece brought grief to the widow for many years, ultimately it brought incredible joy. It's ironic that the last few hours before our financial deadline, the congregation had to do exactly what the coin's motto said over a hundred years ago: trust God."

CSNS EXONUMIA STANDARD CATALOG



78th Anniversary Convention

A wide array of numismatic items, including medals, storecards, elongateds and coasters are produced each year in conjuction with the Central States Numismatic Society's Anniversary Convention. This is a catalog of 2017 items.

Anniversary medal

Silver: 1 ounce .999 fine, 39 mm

Obv: Kentucky state seal. Legend: CSNS 78th ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION/COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY/ VILLAGE OF SCHAUMBURG, IL. APRIL 26-29, 2017

Rev: Satin finish blank. ONE TROY OUNCE .999 FINE SILVER in small letters at bottom.

Edge: Reeded

Mint: SilverTowne Mint, Winchester, IN

Designer: SilverTowne staff

Mintage: 100

Issue price: $35

(This is the first medal in a projected 13-year series of medals based on the state seals of the states that comprise the Central States region. The annual medals will be issued in the order in which the member states entered the Union. Ohio is next.)

No bronze medals struck in 2017

Store card

Silver-plated zinc: 27 mm

Obv: 1895 Morgan silver dollar

Rev: 10-line legend: CSNS 78TH/ CONVENTION / SCHAUMBURG, ILLINOIS/ APRIL 26-29, 2017/ BOURSE: / PATRICIA FOLEY / (414) / 698-6498 / WWW.CENTRALSTATES.INFO

Edge: Plain

Mint: Patrick Mint, Santa Rosa, CA

Mintage: 1,000

Issue price: $3

Elongated

Design: Central States logo, left. Cubs champs logo, right. Legend: ANNIV. CONV. / 78th / APRIL/ 2017/ CSNS SALUTES CUBS

Host coins: Copper cent, nickel, dime and quarter.

Mint: Ray Dillard rolled many onsite at the convention.

Mintage: 3,500 cents
24 4-coin sets

Additional elongateds were rolled on a wide variety of other host coins..

Issue price: Free - cents
$2 - set of four denominations sealed in plastic

Coaster

Cardboard: 4 inches

Obv: 1873 Trade dollar surrounded by APRIL 26-29, 2017 /CENTRAL STATES NUMISMATIC SOCIETY / SCHAUMBURG, IL / 78th ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION.

Rev: 13-line inscription.

Mintage: 2,500

Source: Carl Wolf & Co.

Issue price: Free

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78th Anniversary Convention

Treasure hunt popular with young collectors

By David G. Heinrich
CSNS vice president

We had 31 Young Numismatists hunt for "treasure" on the bourse floor this year. The annual Treasure Hunt is the most popular attraction at the YN booth.

David and Heidi Heinrich answer a question at the YN table.

As you may remember reading last year, each YN receives a three-ring binder with pages for 2x2s. There are alternating open slots and slots containing descriptions of selected coins. At each of 13 Treasure Hunt stops that the YN must find on the bourse floor, they must answer a multiple-choice question to receive a prize. The prize, contained in a 2x2, corresponds to one of the descriptions in the binder and can be inserted into the empty slot next to it.

After the YN completes the Treasure Hunt, he or she receives a numbered ticket. Later, numbers are drawn from a hat and the YN with the number called is allowed to pick any item that they like from the four cases of donations from dealers and collectors. The items range in value from a couple of dollars to $100 or more. Generally, the more knowledgeable YN picks the "old dull looking coin" like an ancient Roman coin, for example. Those less knowledgeable tend to pick the shiny coins, so everyone is happy!

We are building up a rotating supply of different questions and prizes so that any YNs that return for a number of years will have a new collecting experience each year. The aim is to build on any collecting bug that may have been awakened by their experiences at our convention.

The World Coin Challenge is the next most popular activity that we offer at the YN booth. Interested YNs select a foreign coin of their choosing from the hundreds in a plastic tub. They must enclose it in a 2x2, identify it, label it and then it is theirs to keep. Some children happily spend hours doing this and leave with dozens of coins to add to their collection or start a new one. By the way, there is room in the binder from the Treasure Hunt to store these foreign treasures.

Stephen Petty gives a set of 2009 cents to a YN at the end of the Treasure Hunt while Lexa Petty maintains order.

David Heinrich gives the Daniel C. Parker YN Literary Award to Isaiah Hageman.

Additionally, YNs can try their hand at the Jefferson Nickel Grading Challenge, The 1982 Cent Challenge or try to Fill A Cent Folder. We also have drawing and coloring activates for the very young.

None of this would be possible without the generous financial support of our YN Treasure Hunt sponsor, Professional Coin Grading Service; and our YN Education sponsors, Jonathan K. Kern Co., Jeff Garret - MidAmerica Rare Coin Gallery, Larry Shepard-SIMCO Coins, Sergio Sanchez Rare Currency, Michael Hakaa-GMTC, Whitman Publishing-Mary Counts Burleson and the numerous dealers and collectors who donated coins and other items or gave financial support or were stops on the Treasure Hunt. I also am deeply grateful for the tireless efforts of my wife Heidi, CSNS Gov. Brad Karoleff and Stephen and Lexa Petty. These programs would be impossible without their help.

Catalina Nechifor and Chrisopher Epure, 6, try their hand at Fill A Cent Folder.

78th Anniversary Convention

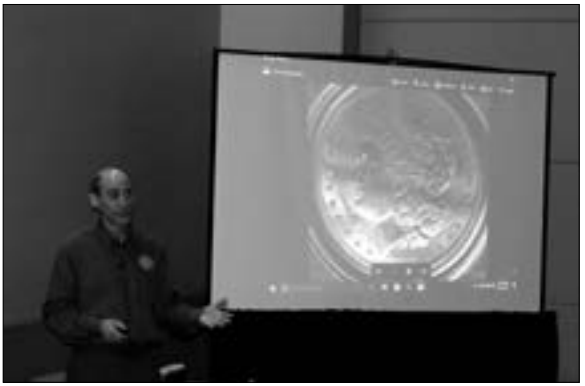
Scenes from the show

More than a dozen speakers gave presentations at the 2017 convention on topics ranging from silver dollars to the medals celebrating the patron saint of bomb disposal workers.

Heritage Auctions sponsored the seven-session Numismatic Educational Forum. Other speakers gave presentations at numerous club meetings.

***"Collectors tend to live a little longer because they've got to last long enough to get the last note they need for their collection," Peter Huntoon joked during his presentation,* A Pathway to Building a World Class National Bank Note Collection.**

"Time matters, " CSNS Gov. Andrew Kimmel said during a presentation titled* Artificial vs. Natural Toning of Coins**. ***The longer a coin is in contact with a toning source, such as a bag or holder, the more vibrant the color.



***Chicago Coin Club Secretary Carl Wolf introduces Central States legal counsel Steven Bieda,left, and Heritage Auctions' Mark Borkhardt, who spoke on* How and When to Sell Your Collection.**

Glen Jorde, center, teaches a two-day class,* Basic Paper Money Grading. *Jorde is a past-president of PCDA and a PMG grader.

CSNS Gov. Brett Irick, who is also an ANA judge certifier, conducts a refresher course for exhibit judges.

During the Treasury Department's silver dollar release in the early 1960s, seven $1,000 bags of uncirculated Seated Liberty dollars were released in Atlanta, former ANA President Bob Campbell, left, said during a presentation,* All About Morgan Dollars. *Doug Davis, center, gave a presentation called,* The Numismatic Crime Information Center - What It Is and Why It Matters. *Coin dealer Del Parker, right, spoke about the Irish barnyard coinage of 1928 at his booth.

Penny roller Ray Dillard and his daughter Kathy Weisgerber greet Milwaukee collectors Adele and Norm Vogel. The Milwaukee Numismatic Society took advantage of the CSNS program that subsidizes club bus trips to the convention.

Julio Irizarry, Chuck Plaia, Lauren Lentini and Arcee Cain provide security at the convention entrance.

Booth holders sign in at the registration desk before the doors opened Wednesday.

CSNS Gov. Francis Hawks and his wife Karen staff the Central States booth at the show.

Louise Boling discusses St. Barbara, patron saint of things that go boom, at the Women in Numismatics meeting at the Central States convention.

WIN: An explosive meeting

Louise Boling, vice president of Women in Numismatics, delivered an explosive presentation - "Demure Maiden to Wild Child: St. Barbara, Patron Saint of Those Who Make Things Go Boom" - at the WIN meeting.

Boling said she started collecting St. Barbara medals after her son David, who was serving as an explosive ordinance disposal technician in the Middle East, asked her to send him St. Barbara religious medals. "It turns out that St. Barbara is the patron saint of things that go boom, thing that will blow up or cause problems. So she's the patron saint of explosive ordinance people of artillery men of miners, even firemen."

St. Barbara on Fort Wayne Cannoneers challenge coin

St. Barbara, Boling said, was raised as a devout pagan but converted to Christianity. She was sentenced to death and her father cut her head off.

"He subsequently was on his way home, as the legend goes, when he was struck by a lightning bolt in retribution for what he had done to his daughter," Boling said

Legends grew up around her that prayer to her would protect against lightning strikes. "Prayer to her would protect you from lightning bolts and, by extension, from an explosion or anything other thing that was related to explosive material."

Over the centuries, she said, numerous medals had been struck bearing her image and stylized design elements that tell her story. She is usually shown with a palm frond, a symbol of martyrdom; a tower with three windows, symbolizing her faith in the Trinity; and a chalice, a symbol of last rites.

Liberty Seated Collectors Club members pose for a group photo before LSCC President Gerry Fortin gave a presentation on dime die varieties.

Three of the exhibit judges Bill Brandimore, left, Thomas Havelka and James Zylstra, discuss this year's exhibits.

From left, Cindy Wibker, Bob Russell and Tony Swicer staff the Florida United Numismatists table. Wibker also gave a presentation on exonumia as part of the Heritage Numismatic Educational Forum.

Photo courtesy of John and Nancy Wilson

CSNS President Karen Jach and Vice President David Heinrich conduct the Central States Numismatic Society's general membership meeting.

Unique coin likely hiding in someone's collection

One of the rarest United States coins was unwittingly sold at auction in the 1980s and likely sits unassuming and unknown in someone's collection today, researcher Allan Schein said during a presentation on "The Identity of Bela Lyon Pratt's Indian" at the Central States convention.

Allan Schein

In his book, *The Gold Indians of Bela Lyon Pratt*, Schein concluded that Sioux Chief Hollow Horn Bear was the model for the Indian on the obverse of Pratt's $2.50 and $5 gold coins. The coins, he noted, are not incuse, as commonly asserted, but rather raised from the background, similar to ancient Egyptian reliefs.

Pratt's initial design exists today as a galvano and master die in the U.S. Mint's archive and possibly in someone's collection.

"The details on this are so much more refined," Schein said pointing to a photo of the galvano. "The lettering is a little closer in from the outer edge. The feather details are much more refined."

Schein said 20 coins were made using Pratt's original design. "One of them was sent to (President Theodore) Roosevelt who liked it, and sent it to (William S.) Bigelow, who presented it to Pratt at a gathering at the Boston Symphony Orchestra. The other 19 coins were returned (to the Mint) and destroyed."

After the 20 coins were struck, Schein said, Chief Engraver Charles E. Barber entered the picture. "Barber had the belief that it (the design) would strike better if it was adjusted, and they gave him the opportunity to do that."

Schein recounted, "When Pratt saw the very first coin, he was thrilled with the way it looked, and after he saw the circulating strikes and how Barber adjusted it, he referred to him as the 'butcher at the Mint.'"

Bigelow, one of the prime movers in the early 20th century coinage redesign, kept the singular coin after showing it to Pratt and eventually donated it and other art objects to Boston's Museum of Fine Art, which sold it at auction the 1980s, unaware of its importance.

"The interesting thing is that one coin is out there, possible somewhere and is a truly great rarity. Nobody has ever seen that. It had been sold off at auction sometime in the 1980s without the realization that it was a specimen, the only surviving specimen. This could be and probably is the rarest of any U.S. coin," Schein said.

78th Anniversary Convention

American Eagle silver dollars: 500 million and still in short supply

Miles Standish

There's a shortage of American Eagle silver dollars every Monday, NGC Vice President Miles Standish told collectors attending a "Roundtable Discussion on the American Silver Eagle Coin," sponsored by the Industry Council of Tangible Assets

While some 500 million coins have been struck since the bullion program began in 1986, the coins are still in demand. "They release the bullion coins every Monday for the 12 distributors around the world. Whatever they made is what gets sold out. There's literally a shortage."

The series, which President Ronald Reagan started to liquidate the nation's 110-million ounce stockpile of silver, has been around longer than the Morgan silver dollar series, the most popular coin to collect, and has burned through the stockpiled silver amount four or five times over, he said.

Standish said he invented the "First Strike" label for silver Eagles released within the first 30 days and placed a trademark on it. "It only expanded the market," he said.

He said, "I created different labels for people to collect multiple different things in the different ways that they like." He said he's especially fond of labels that combine autographs and coins, such as the 2014 program that married autographs of 50 baseball players with the Hall of Fame Baseball coins.

"Do you know The No. 1 player that people wanted to collect?" he asked the group. He got several wrong answer before revealing, "The No. 1 signer was Pete Rose. He loved it. He smiled from ear to ear. Here his name is on a Hall of Fame coin. They can't do anything to keep him out of what he's not in."

ICTA has launched a Consumer Patron membership drive for individuals. New members who sign on at the $75 level will get a Gem Uncirculated 2017 American Eagle silver dollar with a special ICTA label. Standish said 250 have been delivered to ICTA, but more could be made if demand warrants. See page 62 for details.

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Heritage Auctions Numismatic Educational Forum

Crankcase oil leads to career in coins

Crankcase oil played a crucial part in his choice of a career, Heritage Auctions President Greg Rohan told Central States Numismatic Society members attending his convention presentation, "My Life in Heritage in the Rarified World of High End Luxury Collectibles."

Heritage Auctions President Greg Rohan shares career details while videographer David Lisot films.

Rohan said he was a 15-year-old boy working part-time at an Olympia, WA, coin store about 1976 when opportunity presented itself.

"While I was at the coin shop we bought a coin collection. It's a remarkable story because the coins were all silver dollars and they were all stored in crankcase oil. You can imagine hundreds and hundreds of silver dollars stored in crankcase oil. It was an enormous mess"

Rohan was tasked with cleaning the coins in a big rubber tub. "There were three 1889-CC silver dollars, uncirculated. There were rolls of 1891-Ps, '92-Ps and '92-Os. This was quite a windfall."

The dealer consigned the coins to Rohan at Greysheet and sent him off to the largest coin show on the West Coast at the time at the landmark Jack Tar Hotel in San Francisco. Rohan, who also took coins to the show on consignment from other dealers, said he elected to stay at a cheaper hotel, but remembers springing "$7 extra for a private bathroom."

He quickly sold his coins and was befriended by older, established dealers including Leon Hendrickson, who took him to dinner.

"At the end of my first day - my first out-of-state coin show - I was 15 years old. I made $11,500, the amount over and above what I had the coins on consignment from the various coin shops for.

"I not only made a great sum of money, especially for such a young person; but Leon Hendrickson was taking me out to dinner. It doesn't get any better than that.

"I resolved then and there that I was going to be in numismatics for the rest of my life. I could just hardly wait to get out of high school so that I could go into coins full time."

In the years since 1987, when he joined Heritage, the auction house has branched out into other collectibles, including comic books, fossils and purses, he said.

One fossil, a dinosaur skeleton proved problematic. Mongolia said it was looted and tried to stop the sale.

The auction went on, but with the understanding that the sale would not be final until ownership had been resolved.

In the end, he said, Mongolia got its dinosaur back.

Rohan said, "One of our categories is purses. We set a record price of $203,000 for a purse. There is a brand of purse - Hermes - a luxury maker that has been around for well more than 100 years, and they make the finest leather goods. They make purses that are the finest-made purses in the world, and they are collectors items. They are extremely expense. "

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High-end purses go for $5,000 to $150,000 new and it can take a long time for a purse to be delivered. "People don't want to wait a year or two," he said.

In 2011, Heritage sold a foot-long, red, crocodile Birkin bag in pristine condition for $203,150.

"There is truly a world-wide market for these purses. Heritage started that market. We sell millions and millions and millions of dollars a year worth of purses that are mostly in the $10,000 to $150,000 price range," he said.

DVDs of Rohan's presentation and other convention speeches will be made available free to CSNS member clubs. Contact Education Director Ray Lockwood at sunrayofmarion@aol.com for details.

Thank you, Central States

On behalf of American Numismatic Association, we want to thank the Central States Numismatic Society, Show Chairman Kevin Foley, President Karen Jach and the entire Board for providing a table for the American Numismatic Association at the 78th Anniversary Convention.

John and Nancy Wilson staff the ANA table at the Central States show.

Being close to the entrance helped us to sign up 25 new or renewing members, including two life members. We also signed up patrons for the August Denver WFOM. The table was represented by Convention Director Rhonda Scurek, Exposition Manager Sam Joseph along with John and Nancy Wilson, ANA national volunteers. Rhonda and Sam were kept very busy signing up dealers for the August 2017 Denver WFOM. Dealer John Markis of Trusted Traditions Currency in Lauderdale by the Sea, FL, donated $100 for the shipment of the coin show kit.

The convention had 889 registered booth holders at 282 dealer tables. Many of the dealers signed up for next year's convention. The early birds registered 146. The public registration registered 2,996.

Besides the coin clubs who had meetings and speakers, CSNS once again had several outstanding educational programs which led off with a two-session paper money grading seminar.

This was the sixth year that CSNS had their convention at the Renaissance Schaumburg Hotel and Convention Center. With the hotel and convention center connected, along with free parking, this is an excellent location for a coin convention. From our perspective, we think the dealers who had tables did well. The show had something for everyone, and it was free to the public.

The exhibit area once again had some of the best exhibits we have ever seen. The all-gold exhibit prizes are a magnet and major drawing point for bringing in the best exhibitors from around the country.

The YN area was in operation on Saturday along with the Treasure Hunt. The ANA table was one of the stops.

CSNS once again had excellent security. We know the dealers and collectors appreciate the security room being open before and after the show closes. Central

States does an excellent job in setting up and running their conventions.

On behalf of the ANA, we appreciate the ANA table and the courtesies extended to our Association. We look forward to next year's 79th Anniversary Convention at the same location on April 25 – 28, 2018.

Yours in Numismatics,

John and Nancy Wilson

ANA National Volunteers

Mitch Ernst

I would like to thank CSNS Convention Chairman Kevin Foley, for inviting me to speak at the 78th Anniversary Convention. My three-session talks on Nonprofit Management and Fundraising were well received. I also appreciate the members of the CSNS convention staff and board of governors that attended one or more of the sessions.

I have served the hobby on many levels of leadership and in many capacities. I was startled to see the number of numismatic clubs and organizations that didn't know anything about how a nonprofit should be run, managed or how they can and should be funded. What startled me about that was all of the organizations I'm speaking of call themselves nonprofits. To serve the hobby better and to possibly help fill a perceived need, I took a two-year certification course at the University of Nebraska/Omaha in Nonprofit Management and Fundraising.

I am grateful that Convention Chairman Foley had the foresight to want to share these important principles with the numismatic community at the 78th Anniversary CSNS Convention.

I hope I am invited to return for next year's convention to share more of these very important concepts and principles that all numismatic clubs and organizations need to know.

Mitch Ernst

Past CSNS Governor
Omaha Coin Club President
Nebraska Numismatic Association President
Certified Non-Profit and Fundraising Manager

1860-S $3 gold piece

Mintage figure error crept into numismatic literature 50 years ago

By R.W. Julian

Beginning with the 21st edition – dated 1968 but published in the spring of 1967 – of *A Guide Book of United States Coins* (better known to collectors as the "Red Book") there has been a notation with the $3 gold pieces struck at San Francisco in 1860 that 2,592 pieces were melted "at [the] mint." The entry does not say which mint, but presumably the San Francisco Branch Mint is the one in question.

The above entry is retained through the 70th edition (published in 2016 and dated 2017) but the new *Mega Red* editions published in 2015 and 2016, and each dated for the following year, have changed this entry to read that the 2,592 pieces were melted from the Philadelphia $3 gold coinage of 1860, not San Francisco. The San Francisco coinage of 1860 is now back, at least in the *Mega Red* editions, to the full 7,000 pieces.

Researcher Walter Breen's error in this 1964 magazine has been perpetuated for more than half a century.

1860-S $3 gold piece

Heritage Auctions

The original *Red Book* entry derives from an error made by Walter Breen in the December 1964 issue of *Numismatic Scrapbook Magazine.* He reported for the 1860–S $3 gold that the "Mintage [was] 7,000 of which only 4,408 were released; the other 2,592 were retained in the mint and remelted in December 1869 as lightweight, for recoinage into other denominations. Why they were not remelted before is unknown." This error by Breen no doubt resulted from his written notes getting mixed up.

The present published *Guide Book* entries regarding the 1860 $3 gold coinages are not

correct and the San Francisco or Philadelphia mints did not melt 2,592 pieces of the 1860 $3 gold coinage. The official mintage is 7,000 for San Francisco and this should be allowed to stand. (Philadelphia struck 7,155 $3 pieces in 1860, of which 119 were proofs. Some of the proofs remained unsold, however, and were melted in 1862.)

Henry R. Linderman

Although the *Red Book* and *Mega Red* entries are in error, the archival records do show that about 2,592 $3 gold pieces were in fact melted at the Philadelphia Mint in 1869. The story begins earlier in that same year.

In March 1869 Ulysses S. Grant became president and some of the officials who had been appointed by his predecessor, Andrew Johnson, were removed from their posts. One of these officials so replaced was Mint Director Henry R. Linderman, but the removal was not exactly for political reasons. In the fall of 1866 a previous director, James Pollock, had broken with President Johnson over the Reconstruction policies for the South following the end of the Civil War and had resigned his post.

In May 1869 Pollock regained the directorship, but Linderman remained in good favor with the Treasury even though he was a strong Democrat and President Grant was a Republican. The Treasury asked Linderman to visit the branch assay offices and mints with an eye toward making improvements where warranted.

Dr. Linderman was in San Francisco during October 1869 and visited the Treasury office in that city. There he found $7,775 worth of $3 gold pieces that were badly worn and several ounces short of the correct weight. The sum is somewhat confused as $7,775 works out to 2,591.67 coins, not the exact number one would expect. This is clearly the source, however, of the 2,592 coins reported by Walter Breen and later incorporated into the *Red Book* and *Mega Red* editions.

At Linderman's suggestion the lightweight coins were sent to Philadelphia for examination and melting. They were received in early November but two coins had been lost between San Francisco and Omaha and the net amount received was reported by Philadelphia officials as $7,769, again a number not divisible by three.

In a letter to Treasury Secretary George Boutwell, under date of Dec. 14, 1869, Mint Director Pollock discussed the lightweight coins and the problems involved. Some of the pieces had simply received normal wear but many of them had been "sweated."

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In Colonial days coins were sweated, but this meant putting silver or gold coins into a leather pouch and shaking the pouch for many days. This was usually a family affair with children being given the job of shaking the bag. The coins were then removed and the pouch carefully burned to recover the shavings that had come about because of the coins being shaken.

James Pollock

Pollock, however, described a different method of sweating which seems to have been used primarily on the West Coast at that time. He indicated that the coins were immersed in a solution of aqua-regia (nitro-muriatic acid) and the surfaces of the coin eaten away. The coins simply got thinner but the essential design was retained, though softer in appearance. The acid was then treated by a chemical process to recover the gold.

This illegal sweating of gold coins was not practiced outside the West Coast in the late 1860s for the simple reason that gold coins did not circulate east of the Rocky Mountains from 1862 to 1878. The Civil War had caused mass hoarding of silver and gold coins in most of the country, and it was not until the late 1870s that gold was once more used throughout the United States.

The exact amount of gold obtained by sweating this particular batch of coins is unknown, but Pollock did note that the weight was short by about 7.5 ounces, which includes those coins with normal wear. If all of the loss was from acid sweating the missing 7.5 ounces of alloyed gold would have been worth about $140 but the chemical process would not have recovered all of the gold so the criminal elements would have realized somewhat less than this amount.

Although the lightweight coins had come from San Francisco no record was kept at the Philadelphia Mint of the dates or mints involved. It is in fact quite possible that some of the problem pieces were dated 1860 and struck at San Francisco or Philadelphia, but this will never be known.

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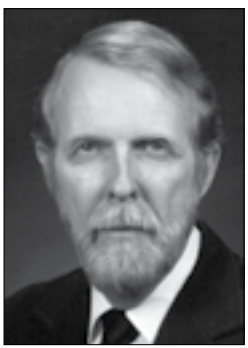

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St. Charles, IL

CSNS, ILNA to host fall seminar

The Central States Numismatic Society fall seminar, co-hosted by the Illinois Numismatic Association, will be held at Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles, IL, on Sunday, Sept. 24, the day after ILNA's first coin show at its new location.

Scheduled speakers include:

Robert Campbell on *Natural vs. Artificial Toning of Coins*

Peter Huntoon on *The Best of Illinois Nationals*

Stephen Petty on *Seated Dollars - Values And Rarities - Then And Now*

Dr. Lee McKenzie on *Numismatic Proclamations of Liberty*

Robert Campbell

Robert Campbell, whose background is geology, will bring a scientific approach to his presentation, *Natural vs. Artificial Toning of Coins*. Real toning, he said, always occurs in the presence of air and has a specific color sequence. Coins exhibiting the wrong sequence were artificially toned by a coin doctor who used a liquid or gas to deposit a colorful film on the coin's surface.

He said naturally toned coins with green or eye-popping pink florescent toning are the most valuable. Coins that are toned on the obverse are worth two to three times more than reverse-toned coins. Campbell, who has been speaking on the topic since 1994, is considered the leading authority on detecting artificial toning

In his presentation *Seated Dollars - Values And Rarities - Then And Now,* Stephen Petty will examine the series, the value of precious metals during the era, rarities and the features of authentic key dates.

Stephen Petty

Seated Dollars, he said, were produced from 1840 to 1873; the set, excluding the 1858 proof-only issue, consists of 44 coins. The series is known for its rarities; arguably only 35,000 to 40,000 specimens survive in all grades today.

The series has several stoppers, including the 1870-S (nine survived – rarer than the 1804 dollar where 15 are known to exist), the two

Philadelphia dates – 1851 and 1852, and the 1871-CC and 1873-CC. Added together, the total PCGS and NGC graded coins for the rarest 32 of the 44 coins totals the same as the 1893-S Morgan silver dollar.

Petty, president of the Central Ohio Numismatic Association and central regional director of the Liberty Seated Collectors Club, is reportedly only the fifth collector to ever complete this set.

For fun, he said, the presentation will also provide everyday costs for goods and services in this era to compare with the relatively large value of a dollar in the mid-1800s.

Peter Huntoon

Peter Huntoon, who will speak on *The Best of Illinois Nationals,* said, "Illinois has no shortage of terrific stories told by its national bank note issues. For example, Chicago went on an annexation spree in 1889, gobbling up all sorts of communities including Englewood, Hyde Park, Lake and South Chicago. These produced a host of terrific varieties, many of which have never been seen on real notes by collectors.

"The First National Bank of Chicago - charter 8 - lost its life in 1882 because its charter expired. Why did this happen? How then did The First National Bank of Chicago, charter 8, get to issue Series of 1902 notes! By the way, none of the notes issued by the bank before 1882 have ever been found. Want to see what they looked like, then come see proofs of them.

"Have you ever seen a note from The First National Bank of Stockton, Illinois, charter 4919? It's not in the book but a beautiful plate was made for it! What gives here?"

Huntoon has mined the best of the best from the BEP Illinois proofs in the Smithsonian so that you can see at least one proof from every unreported or super rare Series of 1875, 1882 and 1902 Illinois-issuing bank. His presentation is very heavy on the Series of 1875 and 1882 issues - the likes of which you simply never get to see.

Don't worry, he hasn't ignored Chicago. Chicago was chock full of great early banks with unreported issuances. Come to see what their notes looked like.

The daylong seminar will run from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and includes a continental breakfast and light lunch. Registration is $20 for CSNS members and $30 for non-members, which includes a one-year membership in CSNS.

For details and to register, contact CSNS Education Director Ray Lockwood, 2075 E. Bocock Rd., Marion, In, 46952, or sunrayofmarion@aol.com. Registration deadline is Sept. 17. Please make checks payable to CSNS.

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Hobby group attacks Chinese counterfeiting

By Beth Deisher
ICTA Director of Anti-Counterfeiting

Counterfeiters have been plying their trade for thousands of years. The evidence lies in the contemporary counterfeits of ancient coins dug from the earth and documentation since the invention of the printing press.

Yet, throughout the centuries counterfeiters produced a relatively small number of coins in comparison to the number of real coins struck. It was simply a matter of talent and resources. It took artistic talent to hand-carve dies and humans to hammer-strike the coins.

The technology leap ushered in by invention of the steam-powered coin press in 1833 and the United States Mint's introduction of the French portrait lathe in its die-making process in 1836 elevated coin manufacturing to a new level. Counterfeiters rarely had access to the die-making equipment or production presses necessary for large-scale counterfeit coin production.

Fast-forward to the beginning of the 21st century. During the first five years of the new century most government mints around the world began embracing computer technology and robotics in their die-making and coin production processes. It was not a matter of simply installing and adapting modern manufacturing methods. Rather, competition – especially in the commemorative coin sector – demanded cost-effective manufacturing and innovative features in design and metallurgy.

The U.S. Mint, content to produce its two lowest circulating denomination coins at a loss, was directed by Congress to look for lower cost alloys for the cent and 5-cent coins. Also, increasingly innovative commemorative coins on the world stage led to questions of why the United States could not produce equally interesting and visually attractive coins.

The search for both efficiency and innovation led to the U.S. Mint's transition in 2008 to digital technology in its die-making operation, producing both never-before experienced efficiencies and precision. During the same period, the Mint moved to increase use of computer-controlled processes and robotics throughout its manufacturing and packaging operations.

Ironically, rather than making counterfeiting more difficult, the transition to computers and digital technology has opened new doors of opportunity for

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Crooks can triple their money with this "tungsten gold American Eagle coin" offered for $400 to $500 apiece. The manufacturer advertises the counterfeit "can pass the test," but acknowledges, "what we are selling is not normal commodity, we need to lay low."

counterfeits. That is primarily due to rapid leaps in technology and knowledge of how to use it that have spread throughout the world at unprecedented levels in human history. The same is true for the accessibility to computer hardware and production equipment used in the various stages of coin production. Costs and availability are no longer a barrier to entry.

For example, software programs used by designers and engravers at government mints are commercially available and easily acquired. Computer-savvy operators can bypass years of training and experience by simply scanning high-resolution digital images and manipulating them to produce the desired product. Equipment to laser cut master dies can be purchased at manufacturer trades shows. The same is true for each step of the coining process, from blanking, to burnishing, to metal-plating, to producing the finished coin.

During 2007 and 2008, it became apparent to the numismatic community that the numbers of counterfeit coins in the U.S. marketplace were increasing at a rapid pace. Specialists in early American copper coins, U.S. Trade dollars and Morgan dollars were among the first to sound the alarm.

Coin World joined the *New York Times* in a year-long investigation, resulting in *Coin World's* publication of a series in December 2008 that revealed more than 100 thriving coin counterfeiting operations in China. Most were small, cottage type operations. The largest, owned by a 26-year-old entrepreneur, relied on vintage 1870s U.S. coin presses salvaged from "scrap metal" sold by the Chinese government. (The U.S. government in the 1920s sold old coining presses to China, which after using them for years recently sold them as scrap metal.)

The proprietor of the largest coin counterfeiting operation in China claimed in 2008 that he had the capacity to produce 100,000 coins a month, most of which were older Chinese coin types and sold in China. However, he was expanding a new line of counterfeit U.S. coins and selling about 1,000 per month in the United States via eBay. His business plan called for locating and establishing "wholesale" buyers in the U.S. who would buy in bulk and help him to identify the most popular sellers. Most of his "replica" coins could be identified because he used iron-based planchets plated with silver or with

ICTA membership drive

Counterfeiting is becoming more and more prevalent, and everyone must take a stand against this attack on the hobby, Cincinnati coin dealer and CSNS Gov. Brad Karoleff wrote in a recent Coin World column.

"Many dealers have joined the Industry Council for Tangible Assets to help protect our hobby. Now it is time for collectors to join us in the fight. ICTA is having a membership drive to increase the number of Consumer Patron members," Karoleff wrote.

Consumer Patron memberships start at $25. ICTA is rewarding new Consumer Patrons who sign on at the $75 level with an NGC Gem Uncirculated silver Eagle in a special ICTA – labeled slab.

For details, click on the Membership link at the ICTA website - www.ictaonline.org

A sampling of Chinese counterfeits

Perth 1 oz. gold bar

Canada 10 oz silver bar

Canada 10 oz silver bar

Canada 10 oz silver bar

1917-S Reverse Mint mark half

Chinese counterfeiters, some using state-of-the-art machines to laser cut master dies, are producing a wide variety of numismatic properties including gold and silver bullion bars and coins and rare collector coins.

The ICTA Anti-Counterfeiting Task Force aims to stop the sale and spread of the deceptive pieces.

the proper alloy to match the authentic coin. He accepted orders for 90 percent silver and gold counterfeits, but his prices reflected the higher quality planchets. They constituted a very small portion of his business.

Chinese counterfeiters stamp out their products at a small improvised mint in 2008.

Today, less than a decade later, dozens of Chinese counterfeiters claim production capacities of up to 500,000 per month of highly sophisticated and dangerous gold and silver counterfeits of various types of U.S. coins. They proudly show on their websites images taken within their modern manufacturing facilities of lines of coin presses in operation. They brag of their extensive use of digital technology, including lasers and 3-D printing. And they also assure fast delivery, less than a week, depending on payment arrangements.

A prime factor in the accelerating growth of Chinese coin counterfeiters is their ability to market their wares worldwide via Alibaba, the e-commerce company that in 1999 entered the marketplace to connect Chinese manufacturers with overseas buyers. In April 2016 Alibaba.com became the world's largest retailer and one of the largest internet companies, reaching into 200 countries.

A modern private mint advertises on China's giant e-commerce site, Alibaba.

Leaders from throughout the numismatic community in the United States, recognizing the danger and urgency of the threat posed by the growing numbers of counterfeit coins entering the marketplace, came together in January

Ohio club donates $1,000 to fight

The Central Ohio Numismatic Association, a 200-member club based in Columbus, Ohio, voted in May to join the Industry Council for Tangible Assets and donate $1,000 to the council's Anti-Counterfeiting Task Force.

CONA President Stephen Petty said, "It is also our hope, as one of the larger, longer-live (100+ years) and more active numismatic clubs that perhaps our membership and donation will encourage other clubs to support your efforts in this area."

In proposing the donation, club member Gerald Tebben said, "This is something that affects us all, and as one of the larger clubs in Ohio it's good for us to take a leadership position on this by making a donation."

ICTA was instrumental in getting the sales tax on silver and gold coins in Ohio eliminated this year. Tebben noted that the suggested membership fee, $1 per member, is about equal to the tax on a $12.50 purchase. "If you spend $15 a year on coins, you're ahead," he said.

Tony Cass, a coin dealer and co-chairman of the club's annual Labor Day weekend show, said even bullion coins are being faked. Counterfeit detectors are not foolproof, he said, and can let fakes get through. He noted one recent fake that purported to be .999 fine gold was just 70 percent gold.

John Roberts, CONA member and ANACS VAM expert, said, "ICTA is the lobbyist for the coin industry and the coin collectors. They're going after tax law, trying to get the government to actually do something about counterfeiting - prosecute people that are caught selling counterfeits, which is an issue, The government doesn't move unless someone pushes them and ICTA is pushing on our behalf."

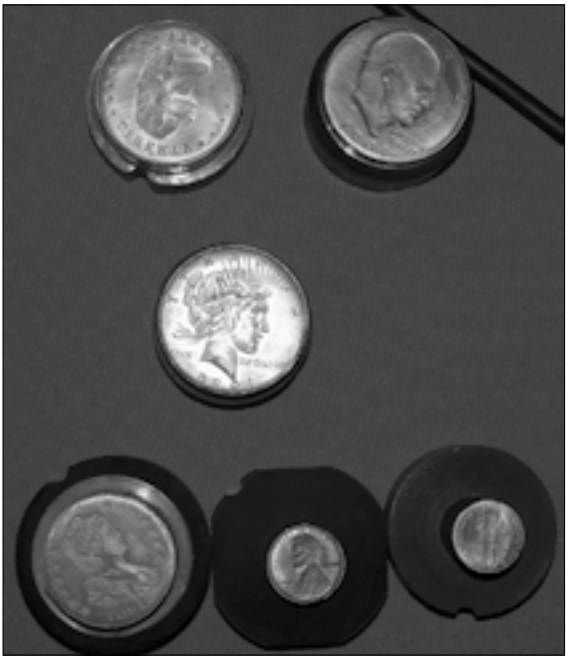
In a letter accompanying the CONA checks, Petty wrote, "Coin counterfeiting is a topic not generally addressed by our governmental agencies and that it has a very negative effect on coin collectors as well as dealers; especially early entry coin collectors who if impacted by purchasing a counterfeit coin often leave our great hobby all-together. Our checks are enclosed!"

2017 to create the Anti-Counterfeiting Task Force (ACTF) under the authority of the Industry Council for Tangible Assets.

To tackle the seemingly overwhelming situation, the ACTF has determined that its top priority must be to educate law enforcement authorities and policy makers about the rising threat of counterfeiting. Simultaneously, it seeks to mobilize law enforcement to attack counterfeiters where they are most vulnerable. Equally important, the ACTF has committed to assisting law enforcement

with expertise and other resources in the investigation and prosecution of counterfeiters and those involved at all levels of their distribution networks.

ACTF's mission and programs support all who work in and who earn their livings from businesses related to the numismatic, bullion, and circulating coins. Equally important is protecting collectors and investors who fall victim to counterfeiters. Above all, ACTF seeks to ensure that decades of consumer confidence are not eroded by the increasing threat posed by the counterfeiters.



This selection of Chinese counterfeit dies was displayed at the 2011 Central States Numismatic Association convention during a presentation on "The Plague of Modern Chinese Counterfeit Coins" by Deisher and Dr. Gregory V. Dubay.

ACTF is funded entirely through donations. It is seeking to raise at least $500,000 to sustain the task force's work for the next two years. Donations can be made payable to ICTA – Anti-Counterfeiting and mailed to David Crenshaw, P. O. Box 237 Dacula, GA 30019 or paid online at ictaonline.org\donate-to-icta

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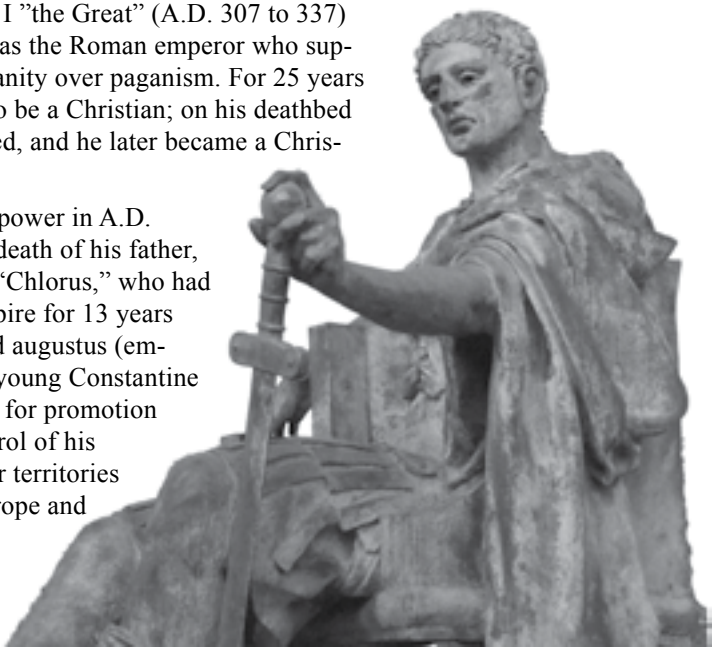

Constantine I ”the Great” (A.D. 307 to 337) is best known as the Roman emperor who supported Christianity over paganism. For 25 years he professed to be a Christian; on his deathbed he was baptized, and he later became a Christian saint.

He came to power in A.D. 306, after the death of his father, Constantius I “Chlorus,” who had served the empire for 13 years as a caesar and augustus (emperor). When young Constantine was passed up for promotion he seized control of his father’s former territories in western Europe and Britain.

Though by definition a rebel, Constantine had a reasonable claim to authority. Even so, his skill as a general proved far more valuable than his pedigree, for he never once was defeated in battle. Through aggressive civil wars he eliminated his Roman rivals: Maxentius in 312 and Licinius in 324. Thereafter he was sole ruler of the Roman world.

This rare silver argenteus was issued by Constantine, as caesar, at the Trier mint in A.D. 306 or 307.

During his more than 30 years in power, Constantine issued untold millions of coins and medals in gold, silver and billon (copper with a small amount of silver). His earliest issues, 306 to 307, bear his title

of caesar – a rank subordinate to that of augustus. Thereafter, he struck coins bearing the title of augustus, a title he formally claimed in July of 307.

This billon coin, variously called a nummus, a follis or an AE3 was struck at the Siscia mint for Constantine in c.A.D. 319.

The most valuable of Constantine's regular-issue coins were gold aurei and solidi. The aureus had been the standard gold denomination up through the early 4th Century, after which Constantine began to strike the slightly lighter solidus (about 4.45 grams). By 324 it had replaced the aureus and for centuries afterward it was the standard gold coin of the Roman and Byzantine Empires.

Struck at the Nicomedia mint in A.D. 324 or 325, this gold solidus portrays Constantine gazing heavenward.

Though Constantine struck gold coins on a large scale, he did not produce silver coins in large quantities. His earliest silver coins were argentei and half-argentei, but these denominations eventually gave way in to the miliarense and the siliqua. The miliarense was a large coin that perhaps was ceremonial. The siliqua may have been intended for mass distribution, but it was never struck in large quantities until after Constantine's death.

By contrast, billoncoins of Constantine were issued in staggeringly large quantities. For this reason, even today, they are readily available at modest prices.

Small billon coins also were struck in Constantine's posthumous honor by his three sons, each of whom became an emperor upon their father's death. In a religious sense they are hybrid issues, for they show Constantine's veiled portrait on the obverse and describe him in the traditional pagan manner as divus, and on the reverse of some he is shown in a chariot, ascending toward heaven, where he is received by the Hand of God (manus Dei).

This small billon coin of the "AE4" size was struck in Constantine's posthumous honor at Antioch c.A.D. 337 to 340.

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Coin Club Meetings

This roster of CSNS member coin clubs *is published for the convenience of collectors visiting the Central States area who may wish to attend a local club meeting. You are urged to phone or email ahead to confirm meeting times and locations.*

ARKANSAS

North Central Arkansas Coin Club ... meets at 6 p.m. the 3rd Wednesday of each month at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 312 W. North St., Mountain Home, AR. Club address: Box 300, Yellville, AR 72687-0300. President: Christopher Carter, 870-449-2100; email: carter@southshore.com (with the subject Coin Club).

ILLINOIS

Central Illinois Numismatic Association (CINA) ... meets at 7 p.m. the 2nd Thursday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Ha ll, North Council, 2801 West St., Springfield, IL. (No meetings in August or December.) Contact: Steve Butler, 217-528-7634.

Champaign-Urbana Coin and Currency Club ... meets at 7:30 p.m. the 1st Monday of each month at the Urbana Civic Center, 108 Water St.. Contact: Clyde Sweet, Box 1021 Champaign, IL 61824. Ph: 217-840-2526. Email: cwsweet3@msn.com.

Chicago Coin Club ... meets at several area coin and paper money shows during the year and at 6:45 p.m. the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Chicago Bar Association Bldg., 321 S. Plymouth Ct., Chicago, IL 60604. For possible changes, please check the club website: www.chicagocoinclub.org. Contact: Secretary Carl Wolf, carlwolfco@msn.com. (Club mailing address: Box 2301, Chicago, IL 60690).

Club of Illinois Numismatists (COINS) ... meets at 7:30 p.m. the 2nd Thursday of every month at Hazel Crest Park Community Center, 2600 W. 171st St., Hazel Crest, IL. Contact: pjcoffelt@att.net.

Edgar County Coin Club ... meets at 2 p.m. the 3rd Sunday of each month at the Chamber of Commerce Building on the square in Paris, IL. Contact: Pat Brazelton, 217-463-2217

Elgin Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 1st Wednesday of each month at the VFW Post 1307, 1601 Weld Rd., Elgin, IL. Website: www.worksandwords.com/coins/ecc. Email: ecc1@worksandwords.com.

Hillside Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 1st Monday of each month at the Hillside Community Center, 1 Lind St., Hillside, IL. Address: Box 750, Hillside, IL 60162. Website: www.worksandwords.com/hcc. Email: hillsidecoinclub @gmail.com.

Indian Hill Coin Club ... meets at 8 p.m. the 2nd Wednesday of each month at Avon Township Hall on Washington St. in Round Lake Park, IL. Contact: Mike Hanninen, 847-872-2725.

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Lake County Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 1st Tuesday of each month at the Warren-Newport Library, 224 N. O'Plaine Rd. (just north of Washington St.), Gurnee, IL -- alternate meeting place is Gurnee Police Dept., 100 N. O'Plaine Rd. (No meetings if 1st Tuesday conflicts with a major holiday.) Contact: George Efsen, 847-244-5160; email: george.efsen @att.net.

Mattoon Coin Club ... meets at 7: 30 p.m. the 1st Tuesday of the month at the Community Room at the Mattoon YMCA, 221 N. 16th St., Mattoon, IL. Club address: Box 143, Mattoon, IL 61938-0143. Contact: Michael Doran, president, 217-663-0276; email: mattooncoinclub@yahoo.com.

Metro East Coin & Currency Club (MECCC) ... meets at 7 p.m. the 3rd Tuesday of each month except June-August at the Collinsville VFW Post 5691, 1234 Vandalia St. (Rt..159), Collinsville, IL 62234. Email: metroeastcoin@mail.com. Website: www.MetroEastCoinCurrencyClub.com.

Oak Forest Numismatic Society ... meets at 7 p.m. the 1st Friday of each month at the Community Center, 15501 Kilpatrick, Oak Forest, IL. Contact: William Birk, Box 287, Oak Forest, IL 60452; email: darandwilliam@att.net.

Quad City Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 3rd Thursday of each month at Calvary Lutheran Church, 2900 Avenue of the Cities, Moline, IL. Contact: Quad City Coin Club, Box 332, Moline IL, 61266; email: QC.Coin.Club@gmail.com.

Railsplitter Coin Club .. meets at 7 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each month in the meeting room of Friendship Manor, 925 Primm Rd, Lincoln, Il. Entry is gained through the side door off the visitor parking lot. Contact: Railsplitter Coin Club, c/o Butch Bidwell, 125 6th Street, Lincoln, IL 62656. Email: bidwell1@comcast.net

Rockford Area Coin Club ... meets at 6 p.m. the 3rd Thursday of each month at North Suburban Woman's Club, 6320 N. Second St., Loves Park, IL. Contact: Gail Tennant, 654-2745, gwtenn@comcast.net. Website: www.exonumia.com/racc.htm.

Will County Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 1st Thursday of each month at the Plainfield Administrative Building, 23748 W. 135th St, Plainfield, IL. (Enter at the front door and go downstairs.) Contact: Mark W., 815-814-3038.

INDIANA

Calumet Numismatic Club ... meets at 6:30 p.m. the 2nd Tuesday of each month at St. James, 9640 Kennedy Ave, Highland, IN 46322. Club address: Box 171, Schererville, IN 46375. Contact: President Noel M. Rodriguez, carmenoel@sbcglobal.net.

Evansville Coin Club ... meets on a Sunday at 1:30 p.m. monthly at the Ohio Township Public Library in Newburgh, IN, located on the SW corner of I-66 & Bell Rd. Each meeting features an educational presentation and an auction. Meeting dates vary, so please visit the club's website for more information: www.evansvillecoinclub.com. To contact the club, send an email to evansvillecoinclub@twc.com.

Goodfellow Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 4th Tuesday of each month at the Sportsmans Club, 10101 Madison St., Crown Point, IN. Club address: Box 10576, Merrillville, IN. 46411. Contact: Dan McDowell, 219-942-6107

Indianapolis Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 4th Monday of each month (except December) at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 2100 E. 71st St. Website: www.indianapoliscoinclub.org.

Lafayette Numismatic Society ... meets at 2 p.m. the last Sunday of every month at the Lafayette City Hall, 20 N. 6th St., Lafayette, IN 47901. Dues: $7.50 for adults; free for juniors. Website: lafayettecoinclub.tripod.com. Contact: President Bruce Schlink, 765-564-4391; email: bschlink@wildblue.net.

Logansport Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Logansport Public Library, 7th & Broadway. Contact: Dave Colford, 574-753-9887.

Madison County Coin Club ... meets at 6 p.m. the 3rd Monday of the month at Anderson Public Library, 111 E. 12th St., Anderson, IN. Contact: Michael McNeil, madisonccc@gmail.com. Website: madisonccc.tripod.com/index.htm

Marion Coin Club ... meets at 6 p.m. the 1st Monday of each month - except August and September - at the Marion Public Library, 600 S. Washington St., Marion, IN. Contact: Ray Lockwood, 765-664-6520; email: sunrayofmarion@aol.com.

Muncie Coin & Stamp Club ... meets at 6 p.m. the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Minnestria Cultural Center (on Minnestria Parkway, just off Wheeling Ave.) Contact: Ray Saylor, 765-288-0371.

Old Fort Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 2nd Thursday of the month at Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, 4700 Vance Ave., Fort Wayne, IN. Contact: 260-442-6133.

Wabash Valley Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 4th Tuesday of each month at the Vigo County Library, corner of 7th & Poplar, Terre Haute, IN. Contact: Marvin Mericle, 812-898-1260; email: marv626@att.net.

IOWA

Ames Coin Club ... meets at 7:30 p.m. the last Wednesday of each month at the Heartland Senior Citizen Center, 205 Walnut Ave., Ames, IA. Contact: Scott Nichols, 515-232-9222 or 515-291-8352.

Burlington Coin Club ... meets at 6 p.m. the 4th Tuesday of each month except December in the Burlington Public Library, 210 Court St. Contact: President Roger Armstrong, 319-850-7339, BurlingtonCoinCl@aol.com or rwarmstrong9@aol.com

Cedar Rapids Coin Club ... meets at 7:30 p.m. the 3rd Wednesday of each month at Rockwell Collins Main Plant Cafeteria, between 35th and 32nd Sts. NE, Cedar Rapids, IA. Contact: Dean Parr, 319-366-0552, drparr@mchsi.com. Website: crcc.anaclubs.org.

Des Moines Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 1st Tuesday of each month at St. Marks Episcopal Church, 3120 E. 24th St.. Website: desmoines-coinclub.com

Old Capitol Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Veterans Hospital, third floor cafeteria, 601 Hwy. 6 W., Iowa City, IA. Contact: Tom Robertson, 319-351-2512; email: tdrobby@yahoo.com.

Port City Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. on the 4th Tuesday of each month, except December (3rd Tuesday), at Musco Lighting, 2107 Stewart Rd., Muscatine, IA. (No meetings in June, July and August.) Contact: Nevin Roberts; email: nevjanrob@machlink.com.

Siouxland Coin Club… meets at 7 p.m.the 1st Tuesday of each month at the First United Methodist Church, 1915 Nebraska St.,S ioux City, Iowa. Contact: John Jackson, 800-397-9053 jjcoin1@hotmail.com.

KANSAS

Hutchinson Coin Club.... meets at 7 p.m. the 1st Thursday of each month at Gambino's Pizza, 310 S. Main St., South Hutchinson, KS, except July and August, picnic in September. Contact: Francis Hawks, 620-663-1474.

Johnson County Numismatic Society ... meets at 7:15 p.m. the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Olathe Community Center, 1205 E. Kansas City Rd., Olathe, KS, Meeting Room C. - Kansas City Rd. and Ridgeview. (No meeting - coin show only in October.) Contact: Mark McWherter, 913-764-0386. .

Salina Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Ashby House, 142 S. 7th St. Salina, KS, except for picnic in September and Christmas party in December. Contact: Joe Ayotte, 785-825-0706.

Wichita Coin Club…… meets at 7 p.m. the 2nd Thursday of each month at the West Side Baptist Church, 304 S. Seneca St. Wichita, KS., except for picnic in September and Christmas party in December. Contact: Francis Hawks. 620-663-1474. Website: www.wichitacoinclub.org.

KENTUCKY

Bluegrass Coin Club ... meets at 6:30 p.m. the 3rd Monday of each month at the Bronte Bistro in Joseph-Beth Booksellers, 161 Lexington Green Circle #B, Lexington, KY 40503. Contact: Jeff Garrett, 859-276-1551. Website: www.bluegrasscoinclub.com.

Louisville & Kentucky State Numismatic Assn. (formerly Louisville Coin Club) ... meets at 1:30 p.m. the 3rd Sunday of each month - except December - at the Hilton Garden Inn, 2735 Crittenden Dr., Louisville, KY. Contact: John Bolly, 812-945-3622

MICHIGAN

Birmingham-Bloomfield Coin Club … meets at 7 p.m. the 3rd Wednesday of each month, September through May, at NEXT (formerly- BASCC), 2121 Midvale St, Birmingham MI. Contact: Box 23, Birmingham, Mi. 48012.

Cherryland Coin and Stamp Club … meets at 7:30 p.m. the 2nd Monday of each month at the VFW Hall, 2780 Veterans Dr. , Traverse City, MI. Contact: Harry Sellers, hdsellers@charter.net

Flint Flying Eagle Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 2nd Thursday of each month, Jan-June and Sept.-Nov. at Kettering University, Room I-819. Contacts: Box 195, Mayville, Ml 48744. Email: ksfdaf@sbcglobal.net Ph: Dan - 989-843-5247.

The Grand Rapids Coin Club … meets at 7 p.m. the 4th Thursday of each month January -October (November meeting is Wednesday before Thankgiving) at the Grand Rapids Boat and Canoe Club, 401 North Park St NE. Mail: Box 8414, Grand Rapids, MI 49518. Contact: John Chirco, 616-667-1981.

Huron Valley Numismatic Society ... meets at 7 p.m. the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Highland Adult Activities Center, 209 N. John St., Highland, MI. Contact: Chuck Sharpe, chaztmi@aol.com. Website: www.hvns.org

Jackson Area Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Jackson Carnegie Library, 244 W. Michigan Ave., Jackson, MI, in the McIntyre Room . Contact: Bill Anderson, waanderson@sbcglobal.net.

Kalamazoo Numismatic Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at the 12th Street Baptist Church, 3911 S. 12th St., Kalamazoo, MI. Contact: Russ Barr, 269-381-8669.

Lansing Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 2nd Wednesday of each month (except July and August) at the Hannah Community Center, 819 Abbot Rd., East Lansing MI. Website: www.lansingcoinclub.com.

Lincoln Coin Club ... meets 2nd & 4th Mondays (except major holidays) of each month at Rookies Banquet Hall, 1519 Oak St, Wyandotte, MI 48192. Contact: Troy Haarala, 313-381-1287.

Ludington Coin Club ... meets at 7:30 p.m. the 2nd Wednesday of each month at Ludington Senior Citizen Center, 308 S. Rowe St., Ludington, MI. Contact: Box 502, Ludington, MI 49431-0502. Email: heglund@t-one.net. Facebook: www.facebook.com/LudingtonCoinClub.

NorthWest Detroit Coin Club ... meets at 7:30 p.m. the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at the Livonia Senior Center, 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia, MI. (No summer meetings) Contact: Donald F. Priebe, 734-425-9225.

The Polish American Numismatic Society ... meets the 1st Saturday of each month at the American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple Rd. (at Dequindre), Troy, MI. Contact: President Les Rosik, 248-909-2670 or Treasurer Brett Irick, 313-207-3562 or xr7gt@prodigy.net. Visit the club's website - www.pans-club.org - to confirm meeting schedule and speakers.

Royal Oak Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month Jan. - June, and Oct. - Nov., meets the 3rd Monday of the month July-Sept. Meets at the Royal Oak Community Center, 3500 Marais Ave., Royal Oak, MI. Monthly auction, guest speakers. Contact: Dan Linna, 248-914-7765.

MINNESOTA

College City Coin Club ... meets at 7:30 p.m. the 1st Wednesday of each month at the Northfield Community Center, Senior Citizens Hall, 1651 Jefferson Pky., Northfield, MN. Contact: Jerry Swanson, 507-289-5099.

Northwest Coin Club ... meets at 6:30 p.m. the 2nd Thursday of each month at Kenwood Recreation Center, 2101 W. Franklin Ave., Minneapolis, MN. Contact: Ev Levens, 763-757-4251; or John Steinhoff, 651-698-1741.

Owatonna Coin & Stamp Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Owatonna Public Library, 105 N. Elm Ave., Owatonna, MN. (No meetings in July, August or December.) Contact: Mark D. Rasmussen, 507-451-7538.

Rochester Area Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the last Wednesday of each month at Denny's Restaurant (back room) 1226 S. Broadway, Rochester, MN. (No meetings in June or November.) Contact: Jerry Swanson, 507-289-5099.

Twin Cities Ancient Coin Club ... meets at 8 p.m. the fourth Thursday of each month except July, August and November at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 104 Snelling Av S., Saint Paul, MN. Contact: Ryan McVay, rmcvay_98@outlook.com. Website: rmcvay98.wix.com/tcancientcoinclub

MISSOURI

Missouri Numismatic Society ... meets at 7 p.m. the 4th Wednesday of the month (except December) at the Creve Coeur American Legion Post, 934 E. Rue de la Banque, St. Louis (off Olive and Ballas, just east of I-270). Contact: Chris Sutter, 314-644-5935. Website: missourinumismaticsociety.org.

Ozarks' Coin Club ... meets at 6 p.m. the 1st Tuesday of every month at the Discovery Center, E. 438 St. Louis St., Springfield, MO. Contact: Nancy Redman, 417-862-3867, nr@mchsi.com

NEBRASKA

Fremont Coin Club ... meets at 7:30 p.m. the 3rd Saturday of each month at the Fremont Free Evangelical Church, 2050 N. Lincoln Ave., Fremont NE. Contact: Bob Missel, 402-317-7832; email: bob@nebraskacoin.com. Website: www.nebraskacoin.com.

Lincoln Coin Club ... meets at 7:30 p.m. the 2nd Thursday of each month at The Clubhouse (center door), 7100 Holmes Park Rd., Lincoln, NE. Contact: Secretary Jim McKee, 402-489-COIN, jim@leebooksellers.com.

Lincoln Numismatic Society ... meets at 7 p.m. the 1st Thursday of each month at New Victorian Inn, 225 N 50th St, Lincoln, NE. Contacts: David Willsie, DFWSafety@aol.com. Website: www.lincoln-ns.org.

Omaha Coin Club ... meets the 3rd Friday of each month, with YN meeting at 7 p.m. and regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Douglas/Sarpy County Extension Office, 8015 W. Center Rd., Omaha, NE. Contact: President Mitch Ernst, 402-397-2696; email: OmahaCoinClub@msn.com. Website: OCC.anaclubs.org.

NORTH DAKOTA

Capital City Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 1st Tuesday of each month September through May at the AMVETS Post, 2402 Railroad Ave., Bismarck, ND. Contact: Larry Schneider, 701-258-9438; email: capitalcitycoinclub@bis.midco.net.

Minot Coin Club ... meets at 7:30 p.m. the 4th Tuesday of each month September through May at the Minot Public Library basement, 516 2nd Ave SW, Minot, ND 58701. Contact: Josh Hummel, 701-.833-7979; email: coins@srt.com. Website: www.facebook.com/MinotCoinClub

Red River Valley Coin Club ... meets from September to April (no summer meetings) at 7 p.m. on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month at the Moorhead Public Library, 118 5th St. S., Moorhead, MN. Website: www.redrivervalleycoinclub.org

OHIO

Central Ohio Numismatic Association ... meets at 7 p.m. the 3rd Wednesday of each month (except December) at Oakstone Academy, 900 Club Dr., Westerville, OH. Contact: Gerald Tebben, 614-263-1006, gtebben@columbus.rr.com. Website: conacoinclub.com.

Cincinnati Numismatic Association ... meets at 7 p.m. usually on the 2nd Friday of each month at the Cincinnati Bar Center, 225 E. 6th St., in downtown Cincinnati. Contact: Emmett Ey, 513-385-0550. Website: www.cincycoinclub.org.

Clark County Coin Club … meets at 7:30 p.m. the 1st Tuesday of each month at the 2330 E. High St.,Springfield, OH. Contact: Dan Freyhof, dmhip@yahoo.com

Dayton-Kettering Coin Club … meets at 7 p.m. the 1st Thursday of each month at the St. Marks Episcopal Church, 456 Woodman Dr., Dayton, OH 45431 Contact: 937-344-0715. Email: tkakers3316@sbcglobal.net. Website: daytonketteringcoinclub.org

Defiance Coin Club ... meets at 6 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Northtowne Mall community room (next to Sears), 1500 N. Clinton St., Defiance, OH. Contact: Charles Bakle 419-783-8436.

North Coast Coin Club … meets at 7:15 p.m. the 1st Thursday of each month at the Orange branch of the Cuyahoga County Public Library, 31300 Chagrin Blvd., Pepper Pike, OH. Contact: President Allen Segedy, 440-543-9757. Email: Ydeges@aol.com

Shelby County Coin Club … .meets at 7:15 p.m. the 2nd Thursday of each month (except July, August and December) at the First Church of God, 1510 Campbell Rd., Sidney, OH. Contact: sccc1961@yahoo.com. Website: www.shelbycocoinclub.com.

Glass Center Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. on the 2nd Thursday of each month except December at Saint Clements Church, 3030 Tremainsville Road, Toledo, Ohio. Contact: President John Snyder, 419-367-9997. Website: www.gccc.webs.com

Tri-County Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 3rd Thursday of each month at St. Marys Community Library, 140 S. Chestnut St., St. Mary's OH. Contact: Lee Clausing, 419-394-3070.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Palace City Coin & Stamp Club ... meets at 1:30 p.m. the 1st Sunday of each month September through May at the Rec Center, 15th and N. Main Sts, Mitchell, SD. Contact: Dean Randall, 605-630-2967, dvrandall46@yahoo.com. Website: sesdcoinclubs.weebly.com.

WISCONSIN

Numismatists of Wisconsin! ... meets three times a year in conjunction with a local coin club's coin show. Contact: Thad Streeter, tls0726@hotmail.com. Website: http://www.numismatistsofwisconsin.com

Kenosha Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 1st Thursday of each month (No meetings in July and August.) at Kenosha Union Hall, 3030 39th Ave., Kenosha, WI. Contact: Jerry Binsfeld, 262-657-4653 (days); 262-654-6272 (nights).

Madison Coin Club ... tries to meet at 7 p.m. on the 2nd Monday or Tuesday of the month at the Alicia Ashman Branch of the Madison Public Library, 733 N. High Point Rd., Madison, WI. Contact: Tom Galway, 608-238-1722; email: tpgalway1@charter.net.

International Bank Note Society - Midwest chapter -- meets at 1 p.m. the 2nd Saturday of each month at the North Shore Library, 6800 N. Port Washington Rd, Glendale, WI. Contact: Jeff Gaffke at jgaffke1@wi.rr.com

Milwaukee Numismatic Society ... meets at 7 p.m. on the 3rd Thursday of each month at Mayfair Mall Community Room, 2500 N. Mayfair Rd., Wauwatosa, WI. (Use entrance #2 on east side of mall.) Website: www.milwaukeenumismaticsociety.com

Nicolet Coin Club ... meets at 6:30 p.m. the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at Bay Restaurant, Military & 9th Sts., Green Bay, WI. Contact: Roger A. Bohn, 920-819-7294.

Racine Numismatic Society ... meets at 7 p.m. the 2nd Thursday of each month (No meetings in July and August.) at Castlewood Restaurant, 2815 Wisconsin St., Sturtevant, WI. Contact: Jerry Binsfeld, 262-657-4653 (days); 262-654-6272 (nights).

South Shore Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 2nd Tuesday of each month (except July and August) at St. Roman's Church Annex, 1710 W. Bolivar Ave., Milwaukee, WI. Contact: Joe Bartoszewicz, 414-327-6156; email: joedee71@sbcglobal.net.

Waukesha Coin Club ... meets at 7 p.m. the 1st Wednesday of the month at the Waukesha Salvation Army office, 445 Madison St., Waukesha, WI. Contact: Forrest Schumacher, 262-524-3227; email: fschumacher@wi.rr.com.

Wisconsin Valley Coin Club … meets at 6:30 p.m. the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month (June, July and August meeting 3rd Tuesday) at Schofield Coin & Hobby, 754 Grand Ave., Schofield, WI 54476. Contact Thad Streeter, 715-355-5437.

CANADA

Windsor Coin Club …meets the 2nd Monday of each month September to June (except October, when it is the 3rd Monday) at the Caboto Club, 2175 Parent Ave., Windsor, Ontario. Visit www.windsorcoinclub.com to confirm meeting schedule and speakers.. Contact: President Brett Irick at xr7gt@prodigy.net or 313-240-6418.

Waterloo Coin Society ... meets at 7:30 p.m. the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 404 Wing R.C.A.F.A., 510 Dutton Drive, Waterloo, Ontario. Contact: Peter Becker, secretary@waterloocoinsociety.com. Website: www.waterloocoinsociety.org.

Johnson County

Kansas club marks 50 years with elongated set

The Johnson County Numismatic Society is celebrating its 50th anniversary and is issuing a seven-coin set of elongated coins in conjuction with its 49th Annual Coin Show, Oct. 14-15. The set is available for $10.00 plus $2.00 shipping. Contact information is:

Mark McWherter
1107 East Northview St.
Olathe, KS 66061
913-764-0386

The club's logo, based on the reverse of the Indian Head five-cent piece centered on a sunflower dominates the elongated's design. Below the buffalo are the words KANSAS / 1967 * 50 YEARS * 2017. The words JOHNSON COUNTY / NUMISMATIC SOCIETY are above and below the logo.

The Johnson County Numismatic Society 50th Anniversary Seven Coin Elongated Set includes 1967 BU 40 percent half, SMS 1967 quarter, 2005 BU Kansas State Quarter, 1967 BU nickel, Buffalo nickel, 1967 BU cent and a Miscellaneous dated pre-1982 copper cent.

The Nebraska Numismatic Association

If you are interested in Nebraska club information, state and local shows as well as articles related directly to numismatics in the "Coin" Husker state, you should consider joining the NNA.

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Coin Show Calendar

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Show officials should submit information as early as possible to: Editor, Box 82125, Columbus, Ohio 43202. Phone: 614-263-1006. Email: gtebben@columbus.rr.com

Cincinnati, OH – June 29-July 1
34th Greater Cincinnati Numismatic Expostion, Sharonville Convention Center, 11355 Chester Rd. Hours: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Fri., Sat. Tables:115. Contact: Paul Padget, 513-821-2143

Orlando, FL - July 6-8, 2017
11th Annual Summer F.U.N. Convention, Orange County Convention Center, 9800 International Dr. Opens at 10 a.m. daily. Contact: Cindy Wibker, 407-321-8747 or CWibker@aol.com

St. Charles, MO – July 20-22, 2017
Missouri Numismatic Society 57th Annual Coin Show, Saint Charles Convention Center, 1 Convention Center Plaza. Hours: 12 - 7 p.m. Thurs; 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Fri.; 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Sat. Free admission, parking. Dealers: 180. Contact: Sid Nusbaum, 636-583-2090. Email: sid1904pike@yahoo.com. Website: mnscoinshow.com.

Springfield, IL – July 23, 2017
Central Illinois Numismatic Association coin show, Northfield Center I, 3210 Northfield Dr. Hours: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tables: 70. Admission: $1. Table fee: $70. Contact: Steve Butler, 1712 S. First St., Springfield, IL, 62704-3902. Ph: 217-528-7634

Denver, CO - Aug. 1-5, 2017
American Numismatic Association's World's Fair of Money, Colorado Convention Center. Hours: 10 a.m. -5:30 p.m. Tues-Fri.; 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sat. Dealers: 1,000.

Dalton, GA – Aug. 18 - 20, 2017
Blue Ridge Numismatic Association 58th Annual Convention, Northwest Georgia Trade & Convention Center, I-75, Exit 333. Hours: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Fri., Sat.; 10 a.m .- 3 p.m. Sun. Tables: 300+ Contact: Ron Blackman, 321-258-0325.

Mountain Home, AR – Aug. 18-19
North Central Arkansas Coin Club's 9th Annual Coin Show, Ramada Inn Convention Center (Business 62 and Commerce Dr.) Hours: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Fri.; 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sat. Free parking. Admission: $1. Dealers: 16. Contact: Chris Carter, carter@southshore.com

Terre Haute, IN – Aug. 20, 2017
Wabash Valley Coin Club's Coin & Currency Show, Wabash Valley Fairgrounds, 3901 US Hwy 41. Hours: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Tables: 26 (Tables: $35 regular, $40 backup). Free parking and admission. Contact: Bob Kelly, Kellyfam6@yahoo.com, 812-877-3631.

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Regional Coin Show, American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple Rd. (15 Mile at Dequindre). Hours: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Free admission, parking, Tables: 90+. Sponsor/Affiliate: Polish American Numismatic Society and Huron Valley Numismatic Society. Contacts: Les Rosik , 248-909-2670 or Brett Irick, 313-207-3562, email xr7gt@prodigy.net. Websites: www.pans-club.org and www.hvns.orgs

Dublin, OH – Aug. 31 - Sept. 3
Central Ohio Numismatic Association's Ohio State Coin Show, Crowne Plaza - Dublin, 600 Metro Pl. N.. Hours: 10 a.m - 6 p.m. Fri., Sat.; 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sun. Early birds: 4 p.m. Thurs. Contact: 614-571-2745; pcass@columbus.rr.com

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Louisville, KY - Sept. 7-9, 2017
Louisville & Kentucky State Numismatic Assoc. 57th annual coin show, Hilton Garden Inn, Louisville Airport, 2735 Crittenden Dr. Hours: 1 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Thur., 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Fri., 10 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Sat. Table: 70+. Contact: John Bolly, 812-945-3622. Website: louisvilleandkscoinclub.com

Monroeville, PA – Sept. 8-10, 2017
Sarosi's Coins and More Promotions Fall C.A.M.P Show, Monroeville Convention Center, 209 Mall Blvd. Hours: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Fri., Sat.; 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sun. Dealers: nearly 100. Contact: Kathy or Paul Sarosi, 814-535-5766, sarosicoinshows.com

Grandville, MI - Sept. 16, 2017
Grand Rapids Coin Club show, American Legion Post 179, 2327 Wilson Ave S.W. Hours: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Free admission, parking. Contact: John Chirco 616-667-1981, johnchirco@sbcglobal.net.

St Charles, IL - Sept. 21-23, 2017
Illinois Numismatic Association's 58th Annual Coin and Currency Show, Pheasant Run Resort - Mega Center, 4051 E. Main St. Hours: Noon - 6 p.m. Thurs; 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. Fri.; 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sat. Tables: 220. Free admission. Contact: Jim Paicz, 708-670-3469, paiczj@aol.com. Web: www.ilnaclub.org

Loves Park, IL – Sept. 24, 2017
Rockford Area Coin Club 122nd Semi-annual Coin Show, Forest Hills Lodge 1601 W. Lane Rd. (Rt. 173). Hours: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Free admission Dealers: 25. Tables: $55. Contact: Gary Melby, 815- 977-1962. Website: rockfordareacoinclub.com

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Dearborn Coin & Currency Show, Dearborn Performing Arts Center. Hours: 12 - 6 p.m. Thur; 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Fri.; 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Sat. Tables: 140+ Contact: Dealer's First Choice Inc., 734-216-1004. Website: www.dearborncoinshow.com

Minot, ND – Sept. 30 - Oct. 1, 2017
5th Annual Minot Coin Club Show, Sleep Inn and Suites, 2400 10th St. SW. Hours: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Sat.; 10 a.m - 4 p.m. Sun. Tables: 30. Gold coin given away daily. Contact: Josh Hummel 701-833-7979, coins@srt.com

Collinsville, IL - October 1, 2017
Metro East Coin & Currency Club's 35th Annual Fall Coin Show. Collinsville American Legion Post 365, 1022 Vandalia St., Sun.: 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Free admission. Contact Earl Phillips, 618-604-2173. Website: www.MetroEastCoinCurrencyClub.com

Milwaukee, WI – Oct. 1, 2017
Milwaukee Numismatic Society's 82nd Annual Coin Show, American Serb Memorial Hall, 5101 W. Oklahoma Ave. Hours: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tables: 75. Admission: $2. Contact: Tom Casper. Ph. 414-425-5444. Email: tcasper57@hotmail.com

East Lansing, MI – Oct. 7, 2017
Michigan TAMS Fall Show, E.L. Hannah Community Center 819 Abbot Rd. Hours: 8:30 a.m.. - 1:30 p.m. Free admission. Tables: 8. Table fee: $15. Contact: Tom Klunzinger, 517-349-0799, teklunzinger@yahoo.com

Ludington, MI – Oct. 7, 2017
Ludington Coin Club's Fall Coin Show, Masonic Temple Pere Marquette No. 299, 108 W. Ludington Ave.. Hours: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Contact: Steve Venema, 231-519-2283. Email: steve@lakeshorecoins.com

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2017 Iowa Numismatic Association Coin Show and Convention, Isle of Capri Casino and Hotel Bettendorf, 1777 Isle Parkway. Hours: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sat., 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sun. Tables: 100. Free admission. Free parking. Contact: Chris Seuntjens, 515-988-3225, chris@christophersjewelry.com

Crown Point, IN – Oct. 21, 2017
Tri-cities Coin Show, sponsored by Goodfellow Coin Club, St. Matthias Church hall, 101 W. Burrell Dr. Hours: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Free admission. Tables: 38 Contact: tricitiescoin@hotmail.com,

Monroeville, PA - Oct. 26-28, 2017
Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists Fall Coin Show, Monroeville Convention Center, 209 Mall Blvd. (Pittsburgh Exit 57, PA Turnpike.) Hours: Noon - 6 p.m. Thurs.;10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Fri.; 10-a.m.-5 p.m. Sat. Tables: 150. Free admission. Free parking. Bourse Chair: Blain Shiff, Cybercoins.net, 412-531-4100. Website: pancoins.org

Indianapolis, IN – Oct. 27-28
Indiana State Numismatic Association 59th Show, Indianapolis Marriott East – Liberty Hall, 7202 E. 21 St. (I-465 and I-70). Hours: 10 a.m – 6 p.m. Fri.; 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Sat. (Early-bird badg-

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Springfield, MO – Oct. 28-29, 2017
Ozarks' Coin Club Annual Fall Coin Show, Ozark Empire Fairgrounds E-Plex. Hours: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sat.; 9 a.m - 3 p.m. Sun. Tables: 70+. Free admission. Free parking. Contact: Jim Carman, 417-877-0223. Website: ozarkscoinclub.com.

Elgin, IL - Oct. 29, 2017
Elgin Coin Club's Fall Coin Show, Holiday Inn, 495 Airport Rd. (New location). Hours: 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Free admission. Free parking. Kids auction, raffle. Contact: 847-488-9000, elgincoinclub@gmail. com

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Marion, IN - Nov. 11, 2017
Marion Coin Club Coin 10th Annual Show, Grant County 4H Fairgrounds Hours: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Tables: 60. Free Admission. Free parking. Contact: David Wells, knobhillcoin@aol.com 765-603-8811

Springfield, IL – Nov. 12, 2017
Central Illinois Numismatic Association coin show, Northfield Center I, 3210 Northfield Dr. Hours: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tables: 70. Admission: $1. Table fee: $70. Contact: Steve Butler, 1712 S. First St., Springfield, IL, 62704-3902. Ph: 217-528-7634

Springfield, IL – Nov. 12, 2017
Central Illinois Numismatic Association coin show, Northfield Center I, 3210 Northfield Dr. Hours: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tables: 70. Admission: $1. Table fee: $70. Contact: Steve Butler, 1712 S. First St., Springfield, IL, 62704-3902. Ph: 217-528-7634coins.net.

Fargo, ND – Nov. 18, 2017
14th Annual State of North Dakota Coin Show hosted by the Red River Valley Coin Club, Baymont Inn & Suites, 3333 S. 13th Ave. Hours: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tables: 46. Free admission. Contact: Bob Hanna, 701-373-8980

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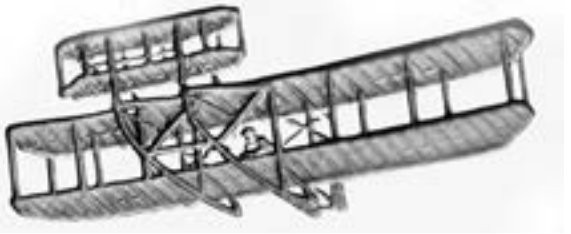

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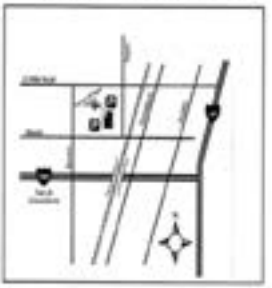

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CODE of ETHICS for the Central States Numismatic Society

(Adopted by the CSNS Board of Governors, October 6, 2007)

Membership in the Central States Numismatic Society is a privilege extended to persons and organizations worthy thereof and is not a matter of right. Such membership can be maintained unless the Board of Governors determines that the conduct of a member has been such that, in the best interests of the Society, his/her membership should be terminated.

For the guidance and instruction of its members, this Code of Ethics is duly adopted by the Board of Governors under the authority vested in it by the Constitution & By-Laws of the Society.

As members of the Central States Numismatic Society, we agree to comply with the following standards of conduct:

1. To support and be governed by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society, and by such rules, policies and regulations that may be in force from time to time.

2. To practice conduct so as to bring no reproach or discredit to the Society, or impair the prestige of its membership.

3. To base all dealings on the highest plane of justice, fairness and morality, and to refrain from making false statements as to the condition of a numismatic item or as to any other related matter.

4. To neither buy or sell numismatic items of which the ownership is questionable.

5. To conform to the accepted standards of dignified advertising.

6. To take immediate steps to correct any error taken in any transaction.

7. To never sell, produce or advertise a counterfeit, copy, restrike or reproduction of any numismatic item that is not clearly indicated by the word "counterfeit," "copy," "restrike," or "reproduction" incused in the metal or printed on the paper thereof with the exception of items generally accepted by numismatists and not in any way represented as genuine.

8. To represent numismatic items to be genuine only when, to the best of knowledge and belief, they are authentic.

9. To never intentionally misrepresent the grade, condition, provenance or other material fact of numismatic items.

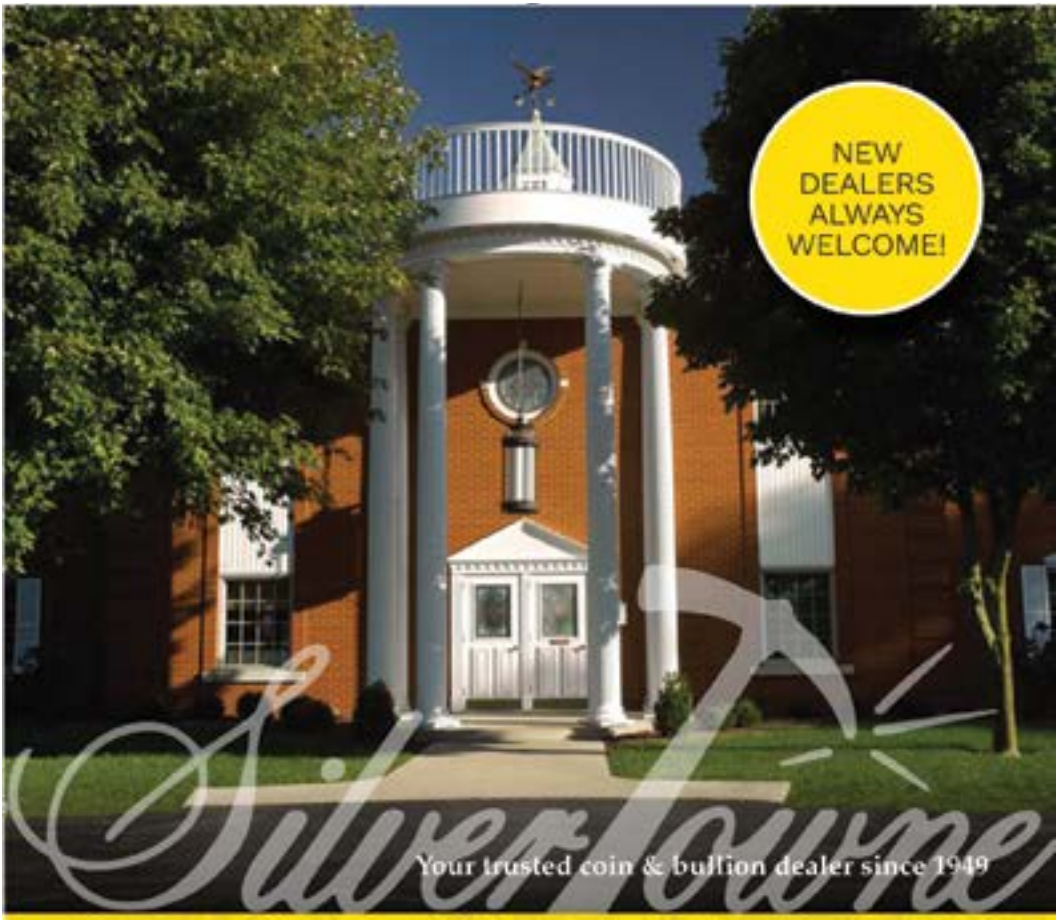
10. To fulfill all contracts, either oral or written, to make prompt payments upon delivery and to return any numismatic items that are not satisfactory.

11. To give aid to members in their quest for numismatic knowledge.

12. To abide by all local, state and federal laws relating to numismatic matters and items and, when applicable, to assist in the prosecution of violators of said laws.

13. To put the welfare of the Central States Numismatic Society above any personal gain.

A breach of this Code of Ethics shall be cause for action by the Board of Governors.



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